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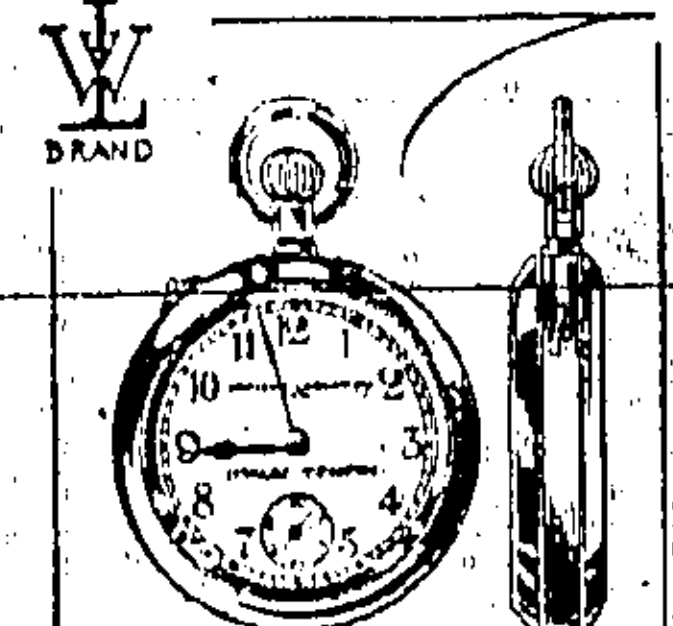
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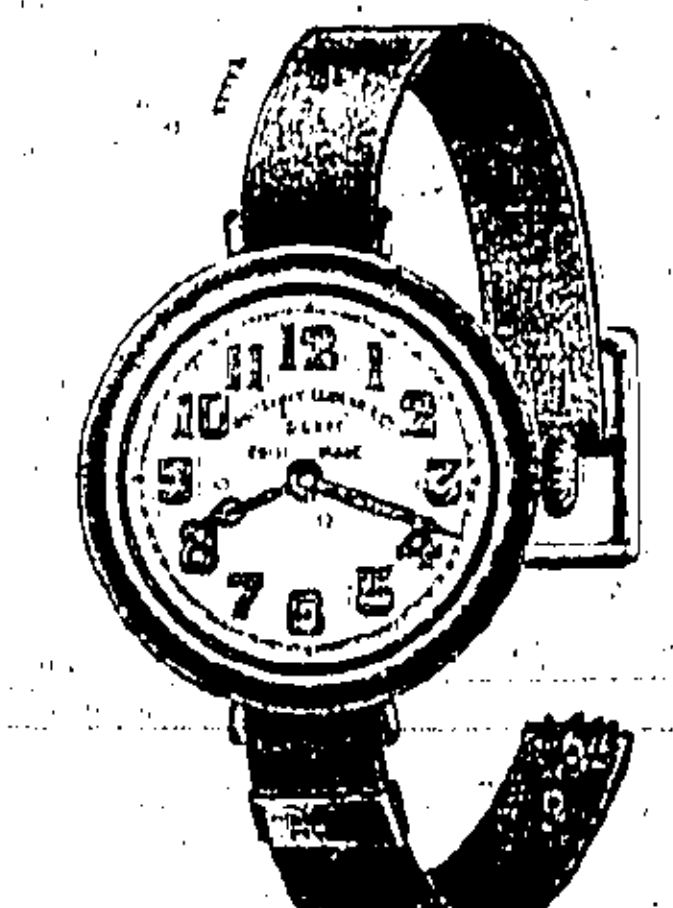
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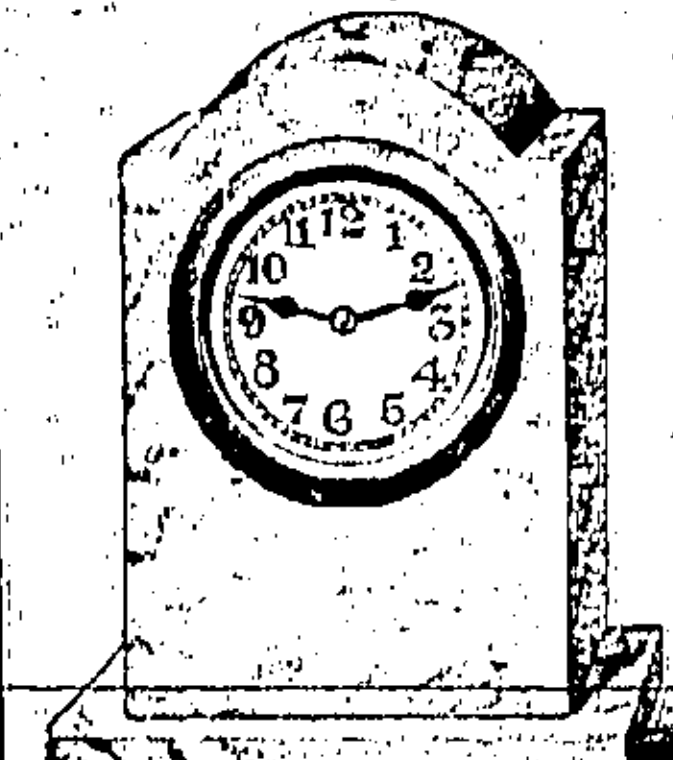
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What exactly is the attitude of General Chang Kai-shek, who has been called the Mussolini of Canton? Foreigners and even the Chinese themselves had never been able to probe his mind. As he holds the destinies of Kwangtung in his hand—and also the vital decision with regard to the boycott—the following will prove highly interesting.

THERE IS A REASON.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, June 23.

The rise of Communists to power in Canton, which was accepted as certain on all sides when Dr. C. C. Wu, Mr. Foe Ping-sheng and other officials fled to Hongkong and Shanghai after the arrest of General Wu Ti-chien, has failed to come about. Instead of gaining new prestige the Russians have become more and more disgruntled, and now some of them are preparing to leave. The Chinese Communists, too, are out of things, and very quiet.

There is a reason. General Chang Kai-shek has set it for himself, with that undiplomatic bluntness which only a military director may employ with safety, that he favours neither the moderate nor the radical wing of the Kuomintang party. He has evidently one side against the other until now he is sufficiently well entrenched to take the frank attitude that instead of being pro-Kuomintang or pro-Communist he is merely pro-Chang Kai-shek and, incidentally, pro-Chiang.

Things have come to a point where even Mr. Borodin, the Russian High Adviser to the Government, has been made to understand Chang Kai-shek's attitude, which is, briefly, that Russians are just as much foreigners as any other foreigners, that China is for the Chinese, and that Chang Kai-shek considers Communism unadaptable to China's traditions and customs.

Brooks No Interference.

In short Chang Kai-shek, what ever he may be in name, is actually South China's dictator, and he will brook no more interference from the Kuomintang nor from the Russians than Mussolini will brook interference from Italy's important politicians.

Canton has for 15 years been the centre and head of a struggle to establish a new and liberalised form of government for South China. During the struggle, which has been costly in men and money, South China constructed a serious disease—Communism. To-day South China is being forced to take the bitter pill of military dictatorship, but it will probably purge her of Communism as nothing else can do.

Chang Kai-shek has adroitly managed to remain a man of mystery—so far as his real attitude toward Communism is concerned—until the last few days. The steps by which he has risen to his present power are interesting, and show a marvellous ability for intrigue. He has kept both the foreigners and the Chinese guessing, and has managed to use both the Kuomintang and the Communists by playing alternately upon the hopes and fears of each.

Significant Facts.

In April, it will be recalled, he dismissed Wu Ti-chien from the post of chief of police, supposedly because of an order Wu Ti-chien had given that all strikers must be dismissed. Before that time his attitude on Communism had been subject for much speculation; but when the chief of police was thus removed, enemies of Communism despaired and declared that Chang Kai-shek had at last shown his hand. Even Wu Han-min, then Minister of Foreign Affairs, returned here, looked the ground over, and left for Shanghai in secret—while his supporters were building triumphal arches and preparing a formal welcome.

Then came the Central Executive Committee meetings of the Kuomintang which began on May 18, and at which Chang Kai-shek introduced his famous resolution reducing and limiting the power which Communists might have in the party and in the Government.

But not for long. For soon Wu Ti-chien was arrested, and Dr. C. C. Wu and others fled. Mr. Borodin and the Russians seemed to have Chang Kai-shek's ear. The Communists had a turn of rejoicing. Plain Talk to Russians.

Now the Russians and Chinese Communists, from Borodin down, have been given to understand that while they may be valuable as advisers, places of power are not for them, and Communist propaganda must cease.

This time the Kuomintang people have no cause for rejoicing, for gradually during the last two and a half months Chang Kai-shek has been putting his own men from Chekiang, his native province, into positions of power and importance. With interlocking memberships on the different committees he has accomplished actual control of the Kuomintang and the Government, and those who do not care to do his bidding may as well leave—as C. C. Wu and many others have left.

Now to cement and consolidate his authority, Chang Kai-shek has had the Military Council, which he holds in the hollow of his hand, elect him commander-in-chief of the Nationalist Army. That done, he has taken the title of generalissimo, and is moving into the cement works across the river—previously the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's headquarters.

And he has calmly announced that at the cement works he will have his own headquarters, with practically a duplication of the offices on the Canton side of the river. He will have his own Military Supreme Court, his Aviation Bureau, his Military Bureau, his Political Bureau, his own Propaganda Bureau and his own censor's office.

What Can Be Done?

The Russians do not like this. The Cantonese like it ever less. Many men here have given years of their adult life and a no inconsiderable portion of their private fortunes to establish a real party government in South China. Many of them have really striven hard for official honesty and for liberalism—not radicalism.

Now they see their years of effort nullified. They find Canton with a military dictatorship, and, moreover, they find the dictator putting non-Cantonese from Chekiang into most of the places of power. Kwangtung and Canton have lost their grip on things, and Chekiang men, most of whom do not even speak Cantonese, are riding high on the wave.

What they can do about it is problematical, so long as Chang Kai-shek controls Canton with picked troops—and so long as he can keep his troops paid. There is, of course, always the possibility of some upset on the northern front for which Chang Kai-shek could be held responsible, and which would sweep him from power. But such an upset would mean a victory for Wu Pei-fu's allies in Honan, and would in no sense better the position of Kwangtung and Canton.

Entering No. 40, Reclamation Street, first floor, yesterday, some person stole money and jewellery to a total value of \$206.50, states a report made to the police.

Death has taken place of one who was a well-known figure to mariners who put into Hongkong—viz. that of Lau Kiu, the well-known pilot who had been engaged in piloting work in the harbour for the greater part of forty years. The funeral took place yesterday.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/3 1/4.

POULTRY "WAR."

WHOLESALE DEPOTS OPPOSE BOYCOTT.

IMPORTS MENACED.

[By "Li Chung-yin."]

Should matters come to a head in the local trade dispute, there is a possibility that practically all imports of poultry for Hongkong will be stopped for a time. Local "production" is so small that in the present controversy it must be treated as negligible.

The trouble is between the merchant guild of the six laans (or wholesale depots) established in Hongkong, on the one hand, and the guild of purchasers (employees), on the other. Feeling is stated to be running high. One difficulty is that no specific terms have been stipulated, so that there is little of no scope to negotiate.

Position Explained.

It is necessary to explain the position to understand the present dispute.

Poultry—mostly fowls, ducks and turkeys—comes to Hongkong from various entrepôts, the biggest now being Indo-China and the French colony of Kwong-chow-wan. Travelling dealers are posted as to conditions and they bring their stocks to the laans, who sell on commission. Credit is given by the laans to local dealers, who occupy stalls in the public markets. Such credit is not borne by the importer (the travelling dealer) who gets his cash from the laan, less a commission.

The stallholders have a guild by name of the Chap Yin. They employ a number of purchasers who are vested with considerable authority. These buyers deal with whichever laan they please. In the course of years, some of these purchasers have acquired interests in the market stalls, so that some of them are now masters themselves, whilst still carrying out the duties of expert purchasers.

The purchasers also have a guild, with accommodation at the Chap Yin guild of stallholders.

It is alleged that the guild of laans decided some months ago that, unless outstanding accounts were paid, defaulting stallholders (for whose respective accounts the purchasers bought) would have to pay up first. If they made good their debts, they would still enjoy a cash discount of one per cent, or, alternatively, get a few days' credit on new transactions. To be able to buy defaulters would have to pay cash without getting the discount.

Recently, one of the six wholesale laans is stated to have been boycotted, and this action is attributed to the approval of some purchasers who held interests in retail firms which had not paid up. Accordingly, the other five laans stood by. Quantities of poultry consigned to the boycotted firm were removed to another laan, the guild bearing responsibility of loss—same to be shared by all six, in their mutual undertaking. This second laan was also boycotted, it is stated. The laans then shipped away the "offending lots" of poultry for sale, on joint account, in Macao.

On being approached, the officials of the purchasers' guild are quoted as having indicated that they had nothing to demand of the boycotted laans. Members did not deal with them, they are supposed to have replied, because it did not suit them to do so, on grounds of alleged high prices, and of prospective buyers not having the capital to forgo credit.

Laans' Joint Action.

To prevent each firm suffering loss and losing the patronage of the travelling dealers who bring in shipments, the laans now threaten that if the boycott is not called off, they will select one of the boycotted laans, put all shipments there on joint account, and close the other depots temporarily. This will be their answer—that there will be only one laan to buy from, and stallholders must either instruct their purchasers to deal with that one, or forgo business for a while.

Should this proposed "blackleg" laan be boycotted, so that market stalls will not be buying anything from the wholesalers, the laans intend to instruct their clients (the travelling importers) to stop all shipments, or diversify same to Macao, thereby bringing business to a standstill.

Famine Prices Possible.

The foregoing is a very interesting phase of Chinese psychology and of "old" custom in local business. From the public's point of view, it seems a pity to cut off

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

AN ASSURANCE GIVEN BY GOVERNMENT.

REGRET EXPRESSED.

Report To K.R.A. Of Govt. Finding.

An interesting report of the last Committee meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association has been forwarded us for publication. Among other matters referred to is that of a complaint with regard to a Kowloon Hospital case in regard to which an assurance has been given by the Government which is considering amendment to the Ordinance "to afford better protection of the rights of patients and their relatives." The incident, the Association urges, is a case in point where attendance of patients by private doctors is desirable.

The report is as follows:

New Members.

There was a good attendance of members when the Committee of the K.R.A. met this month, and they had a full agenda before them. The Treasurer reported 8 new members of the Association, one having sent the \$2 subscription but not given his name. The envelope and dollar notes were solemnly passed round, but the Committee, although reputed to be a very representative one, lacks a second-sighted Sandy and the mystery remained unsolved.

'Bus Service.

It was reported that the "Pull Bus" sign-board, advocated by the Committee, would soon be in use, but on the other more serious problems connected with the 'Bus Service a final report cannot yet be given. In the same way certain improvements were reported in the Telephone arrangements, but the Committee are still in correspondence with the Company on some questions of major importance.

No Public Concerts.

Kowloon Residents who remember with pleasure the fortnightly Public Concerts given for their benefit by the fine Band of the 1st Bn. of the East Surrey Regiment, will be greatly disappointed to learn that the Committee have had to abandon the hope of arranging a similar series this year. The Lt. Colonel commanding the Battalion has written: "It is much regretted that the free concerts cannot again be given this year."

Hospital Complaint.

It may be remembered that a complaint relating to the Kowloon Hospital, came up before the April meeting of Committee and was referred to the Principal Civil-Medical Officer. The attitude of the Medical Department was the reverse of 'conciliatory', but, as the complainant had referred the matter to His Excellency the Governor and a Government inquiry was in progress, and as, moreover, the President of the K.R.A. was a witness in the inquiry, the Committee, at its May meeting, decided to await the Government's finding. The Committee, at this month's meeting, received, through the President, a report of the Government's finding. While the Committee cannot conceal the fact that the complaint was well grounded, nevertheless it is with sincere satisfaction that the Committee makes known at the same time that the whole case was made the subject of very

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WEATHER FORECAST.

For the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow the Observatory forecasts S. winds, moderate; variable, showery.

Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.40 inch. Total since January 1, 35.49 inches, against an average of 36.23 inches.

Pressure is highest over Japan. It has decreased moderately at Shanghai and increased moderately over the Bonins. Elsewhere changes are slight. The Oshima depression has passed into the Pacific. A depression now covers China.

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As a teacher, he proved very capable and popular. In spite of a long fight against ill health, Mr. Grant, when in the Colony, suffered from stomach trouble until his weight was reduced to 87 lbs. It was stated, His sickness was such that he was ultimately invalided out on pension.

AFTER 20 YEARS.

MR. B. L. FROST'S MANY LOCAL ACTIVITIES.

FOUNDER OF K.R.A.

Other Educative And Humane Endeavours.

By the departure of Mr. B. L. Frost of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, who leaves for Australia on retirement to-morrow, the Colony loses one who in earlier days played a large part in organised effort for the public weal, particularly in Kowloon, and who right up to the time of his leaving has retained offices which have entailed the devotion of considerable time and energy.

Mr. Frost, who was born at Bristol in 1869, was educated at a private school, later entering Colston's Hospital and Merchant Venturers Technical College. He entered Bristol University for the purpose of specialising in engineering and at the City and Guilds of London Institute studied electrical engineering under Professor Silvanus Thompson.

Mr. Frost's practical experience commenced at Bristol where he was apprenticed to the particular study of electrical and mechanical branches of engineering and in 1890 he joined Messrs. Elliott Bros., electrical engineers and scientific instrument makers, of London.

At Singapore.

Four years later, Mr. Frost experienced the call of the East and joined the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company in Singapore where he remained, with periods of leave for ten years, taking a keen interest in social and public affairs there.

In 1905 Mr. Frost was transferred to Hongkong and has remained in the managerial service of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company in Hongkong ever since, his popularity there being testified to by the very generous gifts and expressions of regret at his departure, on the occasions of presentations made by the Chinese staff of the Technical Department (of a handsome illuminated address of plate glass) and a cigarette case from the European Staff of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company.

Mr. Frost's work on behalf of the community in Kowloon is very well known to older members of the community. He was the founder and first President of the Kowloon Residents' Association and for his work on behalf of it he was made a life member in 1922.

Petitions Organised.

Prior to the formation of the Association, Mr. Frost had interested himself in matters educational pertaining to Kowloon and Hongkong, the lack of facilities and certificated teachers for the training of European children forming the basis of recommendations contained in a petition organised by Mr. Frost. Mr. Frost recommended that the old German Club would be an excellently situated central place for a school devoted to the

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OBITUARY.

FORMER QUEEN'S COLLEGE MASTER.

MR. A. W. GRANT.

The "China Mail" records with regret the death of Mr. Arthur William Grant, B.A. (Cantab.) in mail week at Brighton.

Mr. Grant was for a good many years a resident in Hongkong, retiring from the Government Education Department in 1917.

He was for about 20 years on the staff of Queen's College, being appointed second master in 1914. Shortly after that promotion he acted as headmaster during the absence on leave of Mr. T. K. Dealy. At that time, Mr. B. Tanner was normal master and Mr. A. H. Crook was also on the staff. Mr. Grant retired first; then Mr. Tanner became second and he succeeded Mr. Dealy, subsequently giving way to Mr. Crook, the present head.

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COLONY'S EARLIER DAYS.

Interesting Impressions of An
ex-Governor.

In bringing to a close the quotations which have recently appeared in the "China Mail" from the autobiography of Sir William Des Voeux, G.C.M.G., we give a narrative which Sir William includes in his book, "My Colonial Service" of the way he handled a critical situation which arose in the relations between the Colony and Canton during his term of office. Sir William was a believer in what is generally called "strong action" and on the occasion which he relates the policy proved to be the right one. He writes:

With Canton then. "The difficulty of obtaining extradition had induced Chinese officials on one or two occasions before my arrival in Hongkong to take possession of accused persons by more summary means. In one recent case a man was seized in Hongkong Harbour, carried to the Chinese mainland, and immediately executed. The Governor had taken no action beyond reporting the circumstances to the Home Government; and though after diplomatic representation a tardy apology was obtained from the Chinese Government, the fact of this slight amende was unknown, it being generally believed that no punishment whatever had been inflicted upon the officials concerned."

"This was only one of many instances within my experience where the policy of keeping things quiet, which used to be, officially so much approved, was gained at the cost of increased trouble in the future."

"For previous impunity was no doubt the cause of a still graver outrage on the part of Chinese officials which took place in 1889. On former occasions the seizure of prisoners, though there was no moral doubt that they were made in British waters, did not admit of positive proof on this point, there being in part of Hongkong Harbour, which at that time had Chinese territory on one side of it, no line of demarcation between the waters of the two countries. In this case, however, the outrage was committed on land which was unquestionably British territory."

"According to the Chinese account, information having reached the Viceroy that two notorious malefactors were living in British Kowloon, he had sent officers to watch for and arrest them in case they should cross the border. Whether this was the full extent of their instructions, is was of course impossible to learn. It is certain, however, that these officers one night deliberately crossed the border into our territory and arrested the accused men in the house where they were living and carried them back into China."

"When report of this occurrence was made to me on July 25, I caused a strong protest to be addressed to the Viceroy (Chang Chi-tung). On August 6 I received from Mr. Alabaster, H.M.S.'s Consul in Canton, the Viceroy's reply stating that the men were arrested upon Chinese territory. I at once appointed a Commission to obtain sworn evidence on this point, but before its report was received, on August 15, I received a petition from relatives saying that the prisoners had been taken into the interior under sentence to be executed in three days."

"My position in these circumstances was a somewhat embarrassing one. Strictly speaking, I should have consulted the Executive Council as to the course to be taken. But having previously sounded the two members whose long experience gave a special weight to their opinions about relations with China, I knew that they would be averse from any stronger protest than had been already made, and would simply advise report of the case to the Home Government. Such a course would have meant the certain death of the accused, which would have had very serious consequences to the Colony, unless reparation for such an outrage were more immediate and complete than that obtained on previous occasions."

"Many of the higher class of Chinese, whose mercantile enterprise had contributed not a little to the prosperity of the Colony, were highly excited about the result of this case. They had vague fears about the greed and power of the mandarins, and were not without reason for apprehending that their next step, if this were allowed to pass, would be to make arrests on the island of Hongkong itself. In any case British Kowloon would no longer be a safe residence, and a chief would be given to its development. These considerations caused

me to make up my mind quickly upon the action to be taken; and, as I feared that the view of the Executive Council might be opposed to it, I determined to take it on my own responsibility. Accordingly I telegraphed to Mr. Alabaster as follows:

"News has reached me that the men improperly seized at Sham Shui Po are to be immediately executed. Please obtain from Viceroy assurance that this will not happen, and warn him that if, pending investigation, there should be committed this fresh outrage upon international comity, I shall be compelled to take serious steps with a view to immediate satisfaction."

"All those who had longest experience of the country were of opinion that this message would fail of the desired effect; but though of course, not altogether without anxiety on the subject, I had a strong feeling that I had rightly estimated the Chinese character, and that it was only the absence of sufficient strength of attitude in the past which, since the days of Palmerston, had brought us so many humiliations."

"And the event proved me to be right. For the next morning I received a telegram from Alabaster (who, as subsequently appeared, had carried my message to the Viceroy in the middle of the night) to the effect that orders had been sent to bring the accused men to Canton, with the addition that 'in case of accident, Kowloon officers will be held responsible.' It was clear from this that the men were saved, unless they had been already executed, of which the word 'accident' seemed to hint the possibility."

"This 'accident,' however, did not occur; and shortly afterwards, the Commission having made a report establishing as beyond doubt that the men were arrested on British territory, I caused a copy of it to be forwarded to the Viceroy, making at the same time a renewed demand upon him, couched in firm but conciliatory terms, and stating my confidence that, as he must at last be convinced that the arrest had been made on British territory, he would at once deliver the men into our hands, to be detained a reasonable time to allow of the framing of proper demands for their extradition. The day after the receipt of this letter the men were delivered to the public officers whom I sent to receive them, and the affair was thus satisfactorily closed."

[Concluded.]

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**A WOMAN'S VICTORY.
THE LORDS ON BIRTH
CONTROL.**

(By Harold Cox.)

The debate in the House of Lords marks a distinct stage in the progress of the movement for birth control—a stage at least as important as that reached in the famous Bradlaugh and Besant judgment more than fifty years ago. The debate arose on a motion by Lord Buckmaster calling upon the Government to withdraw instructions which prevented birth-control information from being given in maternity centres. In support of his motion he delivered a speech to the eloquence of which almost every subsequent speaker bore testimony. It was a speech in which the general case for birth control was stated with admirable lucidity and with a depth of human feeling which obviously appealed to the House.

Lord Buckmaster's main argument was that large numbers of the poorest women in the country are compelled by the conditions under which they live to produce children that they do not want. Unlike wealthier women, they are unable to obtain reliable information as to contraceptive methods. If they ask for information at a maternity centre it is refused. A woman may be in danger of losing her life if she has another child, or her health may be permanently impaired, but no information will be given to her as to how to avoid this danger.

The result is that these poor women produce child after child that they do not want and that nobody wants. They may have started life on a fairly good plane, but the constant succession of unwanted babies has brought down the family standard till a stage of poverty is reached from which there is no hope of rising. On the other hand, in the middle and upper classes precautions are regularly taken against unwanted pregnancies, especially by the professional classes. Lord Buckmaster quoted figures showing that the birth-rate among the professional classes, including clergymen of the Church of England, is less than half what is among unskilled labourers.

Archbishop's Pronouncement.
The official opposition to the motion was voiced by Lord Salisbury, who is obviously and frankly opposed on religious grounds to the practice of birth control. On the other hand, the



LILLIAN GISH
The "star" of Romola, the big picture now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

Archbishop of Canterbury, who also opposed Lord Buckmaster's motion, based his opposition solely on technical points with regard to the existing governmental restrictions. On the broad question of birth control itself, the Archbishop of Canterbury made a statement which happily completely separates the Church of England from the Church of Rome on this important national issue. After referring to the existence in England "of birth control clinics established wholly by voluntary agency and supported by voluntary subscription or by the fees of the patients, or by both," the Archbishop went on to say: "We make no kind of suggestion that there should be any restriction or interference with these birth control centres, which have been established for those who desire to use them, and are supported by some exceedingly thoughtful people in this country."

The War Problem.
From the national as well as from the individual point of view one needs to go a little further than did the Lord Chancellor. In addition to the danger to the individual woman, there is the injury to the family if children are born in too rapid succession, for the mother has not time to bring them up carefully, and the crowding in the home is injurious to their health. There is also the injury to the nation, for under present conditions it is the least prosperous and in the main the least efficient members of the race who are breeding most rapidly. The Marquess of Salisbury talked of the necessity of increasing our birth-rate in order to populate the Empire. He would do wisely not to repeat that remark in any of the Dominions. They do not want to be filled with the products of English slums. Nor was Lord Salisbury accurate in his reference to the French population problem. Like many other opponents of birth control, he assumed that the slow increase of the French population is due to a low birth-rate. As a matter of fact the French birth-rate is now higher than the English. The trouble in France is the high death-rate especially among infants.

Among the other speeches delivered in the course of the debate was an interesting speech from Lord Rotherham, who, described his experiences in various parts of the world, where again and again he had seen young women prematurely aged by excessive child bearing. The case for birth control was also well put, by Earl de la Warr, who insisted that the most important element in maternity welfare and child welfare was the fitness of the mother, and that it was ridiculous for the Government to spend public money on maternity centres, which refused to tell women, who were unfit to be mothers, how they could avoid pregnancies. He well summed up the whole matter in the words: "Women are no longer content to be mere machines for the production of unwanted children." One may indeed safely say that the debate in the House of Lords was a great victory for women. Lord Buckmaster's motion was carried by a majority of 57 to 44.

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THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoir on June 1, 1926.
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL

	1925	1926
Tytam	30.8 B.	18.5 B.
Tytam Byewash	23.0 B.	17.4 B.
Tytam Intermediate 14.10 B. Level.		
Tytam Tuk	40.4 B.	23.8 B.
Wong Nei Chung	40.8 B.	21.10 B.
Pokfulum	26.5 B.	20.7 B.

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow," figures are not in feet and decimals, but in feet and inches.]

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.	1925	1926
Tytam	128.48	246.65
Tytam Byewash	1.17	4.27
Tytam Intermediate	122.02	195.90
Tytam Tuk	620.68	744.68
Wong Nei Chung	6.93	86.4
Pokfulum	14.70	23.69
Total	893.98	1,223.64

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May:—

	1925	1926
Consumption	287.4	246.65
Estimated population 301,280	401,600	
Consumption per head per day (gallons) ..	23.7	21.3
Constant Supply in the Rider Main Districts during May 1925 excepting the Rider Main Districts West of Garden Road to which an intermittent supply was given from 25th May.		
Constant Supply in all Rider Main Districts during May 1926.		

**KOWLOON WATER WORKS
LEVEL.**

	1925	1926
Kowloon Gravitation	24.6 B.	5.11 B.
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	Under construction	19.11 B.
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.		

	1925	1926
Kowloon Gravitation	146.36	298.69
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	Under construction	32.68
Total	326.32	

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1925	1926
Consumption	79.85	72.88
Estimated population 150,160	165,200	
Consumption per head per day (gallons) ..	17.2	15.1
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H. T. CREAMY,
Water Authority,
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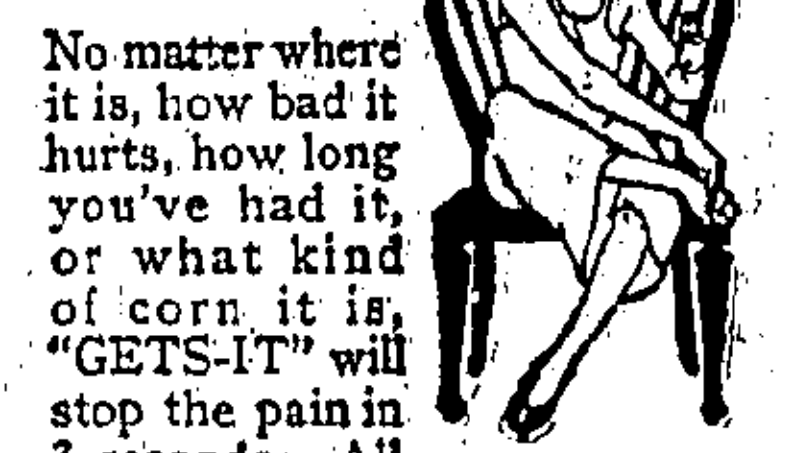
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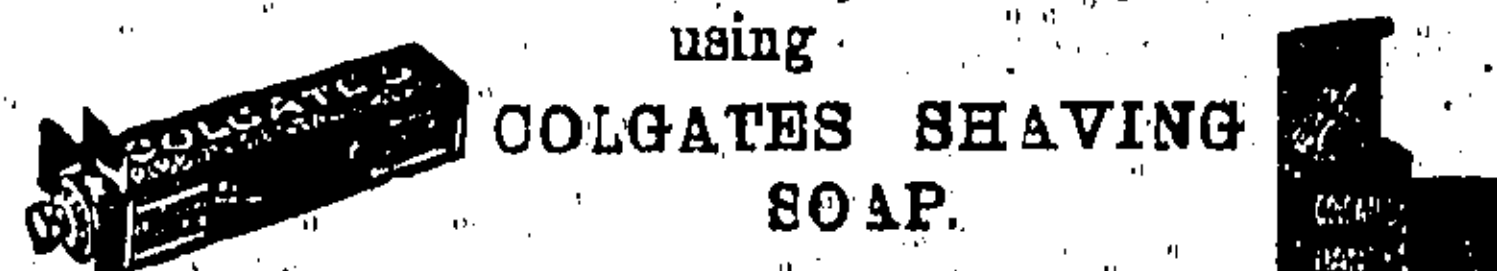
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DEATH.

LOW.—On Tuesday, June 15, 1926, at the International Hospital, Kobe, Elliot Wandle Low, in his 32nd year.

COMMUNISM EXPOSED.

The greater the "probe" into Communist activities at Home, before and during the general strike, the greater will be the exposure of Moscow's machinations. According to the British wireless news service—the Conservative members of the House of Commons are rendering signal service not only in securing a definite date for a full dress debate on the money sent from Russia to assist industrial unrest, but in asking for the publication of documents seized by the authorities in October last when certain Communist agitators were arrested. As expected many of the communications show the relationship of the Communist Party of Great Britain, the Young Communist League, and the national minority movement to the Third Communist International and the Red International Labour Unions at Moscow. A typical specimen of a letter is cited by the British wireless news service, this being signed by a person named Dutt, who is associated with the Indian side of the Communist Party's activities. Other letters refer to the nucleus to be established in factories and Unions, to the transfer of funds, and to complaints that monies promised had not been received. Contemptuous reference to British Labour leaders and the "so-called British Socialists" are frequent.

The Soviet has read its lesson from the British strike. The Bolsheviks must be satisfied that as long as the Army and Navy are loyal to their officers nothing can be done to set up a Muscovite paradise in Britain. With stupid folly Moscow still further accentuated the British antipathy to Communism. Its advice to soldiers and sailors to disobey orders and support their class is the same as that given by the Communist member of Battersea at the beginning of the strike, for which he was promptly charged and imprisoned. The diabolical Russian advice to begin on the lower decks

with the propaganda of treason has opened the eyes of every Briton to the warped spirit of these blood-stained tyrants who would fain throw Britain into the same chaos and terror as reigns in Russia. The general strike has converted more British extremists than anything else to revert to constitutional methods.

No less than a certain other nation did Moscow live and work for "Der Tag" on which the British Isles would be seething with open rebellion and civil war, ultimately leading to the supremacy of Communism. If the general strike did nothing else it served the most valuable purpose of showing to the world—and Moscow most particularly—that although the Briton may have his labour troubles and grievances, he is not the material out of which to make renegades and Bolsheviks. In Great Britain, in China, in Korea, in Japan and in Bulgaria have the Russian conspiracies and campaigns all utterly failed. The downfall of the Moscow tribe may not be complete yet; but that is only a matter of time. And that time will undoubtedly be hastened by such exposures of Communist intrigue as are being witnessed in Great Britain as the aftermath of the general strike.

JUNE 23.

PASSES OFF QUIETLY IN
CANTON.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, June 23.

To-day, the first anniversary of the Shakes incident, passed off quietly in both Canton and on Shamoon. Rain fell, but towards noon there was a respite and the memorial parades were held by the Chinese as planned on the East parade ground.

At noon the three-minute period of silence was observed, and most businesses were at a standstill all day in Canton. In the afternoon memorial services were held at several theatres, but none of the amusement places of the city was open for business during the day or evening, and heavy rain recommenced in the afternoon.

Flags in the city flew at half mast, except the flag of the building of the Chinese Maritime Customs. Customs employees of all nationalities went freely to their work in Canton, and a few other Shamesen residents ventured into the city on important business, but in the main the foreigners observed the requests of their Consuls and kept out of Canton and away from the Shamesen band. The French gate was locked all day, and extra guards were employed at all stations.

FOUND SWIMMING.

STOWAWAY'S ATTEMPT TO
ESCAPE.

SLIPPED FROM BOAT.

About an hour after the s.s. "Tango Maru" sailed on Wednesday, a man dressed in a ship's life belt was found swimming about near Holt's wharf. On being taken to the Water Police Station he was identified as Naser Ganem, a stowaway from Manila, who had been placed on board to be taken back in accordance with an order made by the Kowloon Magistrate last week.

The man made a statement to the effect that he was pushed overboard after the ship had left the pier, but the probability is that he evaded his guard and slipped into the water.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PEAK RESIDENTS' BOARD.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—I should like to know who is responsible, or rather, should be responsible, for the keeping up to date of the residence boards at Barker road and the upper Peak tram terminus.

What useful purpose can such boards serve when one notes cases in which residents have departed from the Colony, even in some cases, from this world, and their names still appear against certain numbers? In others, residents have long ceased to live at the numbers which appear against their names.

Undoubtedly such boards could serve a useful purpose if they were reliable. For instance, I met a lady the other day who was not certain of the residence of someone whom she wished to visit. I referred her to the board but against the name in question appeared a number which I knew full well had not been that of the person in question for a very considerable period.

A stranger on the Peak should, by consulting the board and referring the chair coolies to it be able to ensure reaching his destination with a minimum of trouble (the board is in English and Chinese). Such is not the case at present, however.

Cannot something be done about it.

Yours, etc.,

A PEAK RESIDENT.

Hongkong, June 25.

[Upon enquiry we are informed that the board is erected by the P.W.D. but the responsibility of keeping it up to date is with the Police authorities. For information of changes they have to rely on notification being dropped into the boxes at the bottom of the boards. The difficulty, it appears, is to get residents to notify in this manner any change of residence, only one case of departure and twelve of new arrivals having been notified in the past twelve months.

In the past it had been the practice to keep the board up to date by means of personal calls at houses on the part of the police but even then, we are informed, there was a lack of co-operation on the part of residents. We are, however, informed that in future this practice will be re-established and greater co-operation on the part of residents is asked for. Arrangements which have been in hand for bringing up to date the Barker Road board are now almost complete and arrangements will be put in hand with regard to that at the upper Peak tram terminus.

Our correspondent would be advised to communicate with the Peak Residents' Association with a view to getting closer co-operation on the part of residents in assisting the Police in the matter. —Editor, "China Mail."

LOCAL FAIR RENTS BOARD.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Permit me to inform "Wait and See" that it is always preferable to take time by the forelock. By the time we have waited, we shall have parted with several months' exorbitant rent for the injustices of which there may be no redress.

Yours, etc.,

AMANHAN.

Hongkong, June 25.

WHITE ANTS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—If "Tenant" has not met a landlord who will look after his own interests then he is out of luck. I have lived here 30 years and my landlords have been of all nationalities. Or perhaps "Tenant's" landlord does not care what happens to his house.

To "Tenant's" last paragraph I must reply by telling him to have the job done himself and send the bill to the landlord who will then sit up, even if he has ignored previous notice. For further authentic information which "Tenant" and I also seek, I pray for the indulgence of a legal mind.

Yours, etc.,

ROOF ON.

Hongkong, June 24.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Lease or no lease, written agreement or no agreement, it is an established custom of the Colony that a landlord is responsible for damage by white ants and/or typhoons. I take it that if one's furniture, clothing or personal effects were damaged by rain, as the result of repairs (due to white ants) not having been put in, a Court will award damages when proved. "Tenant"

"RUNNER'S" CLAIM.

PLAINTIFF'S ALLEGATIONS
OF VIOLENCE.

CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.

There was considerably conflicting evidence in a Summary Court action yesterday in which Mr. C. T. Gandall claimed salary alleged to be owing to him from Dr. H. G. Miller, a medical man now a missionary who keeps a missionary boarding house at 17 Cameron Road, Kowloon.

Plaintiff alleged that when he was engaged as a "runner" for the boarding house he was promised board and lodging as well as \$60 a month.

Dr. Miller said that the undertaking was for \$50 a month and expenses. No arrangement was made as to board and lodging: He only asked Mr. Gandall if he would be willing to go to "Miller House," the name of the boarding house.

Witnesses were called whose evidence was totally denied by the plaintiff and defendant respectively.

Plaintiff's mother said that she was present when Dr. Miller went to the house to fix up terms on which plaintiff should act for him. She said she heard the arrangement come to as maintained by her son.

Dr. Miller denied that Mrs. Gandall was in the room when the arrangement was made to.

Mrs. Miller gave evidence, stating that she was in the room when terms of the engagement were fixed. Nothing was arranged as to board and lodging for plaintiff. Witness also heard her husband give plaintiff notice. He said "All right."

Plaintiff denied that Mrs. Miller was present at the interview suggested. He was not given a month's notice and not only was he not paid for that month but also in respect of his May salary he was not paid until June 8 after an interview in which Dr. Miller "became violent."

Asked by Dr. Miller what violence he used, plaintiff replied that he pulled up his sleeves.

Defendant said to His Honour (Mr. Justice Wood) that the dispute as to May salary had arisen owing to plaintiff taking away certain books without which he (defendant) could not make out the accounts. When the book was returned he paid the money.

Plaintiff maintained that the accounts he took were his own in a rough book and without them he had no proofs relative to his case.

Asked why, if he was not given notice, he continued to remain in defendant's employment without payment, plaintiff replied that he had left a good job as purser's steward on an Empress liner and could get no other work.

His Honour entered judgment for defendant with costs.

TRAFFIC RULES.

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PRECAUTIONS.

ASTOR HOUSE UNSAFE.

Yesterday afternoon it may have been noticed that traffic was being directed from Queen's Road into Pedder Street instead of being allowed to proceed East along Queen's Road.

The reason is that rain has affected the Astor House building and rendered it dangerous, scaffolding having been erected to carry out emergency repairs. The building is in no immediate danger but vibration from traffic is considered undesirable in its present state.

A police notification has now been issued indicating that there is no thoroughfare for motor buses, lorries or trucks between Wardley and Pedder Streets.

"Safety First."

The local Police authorities have re-commenced the use of illustrated warnings in Chinese emphasising safety first rules for pedestrians, these being particularly noticeable in busy traffic centres. They are also being posted in outlying districts such as Aberdeen and Shaikwan.

Similar campaigns, instituted in England, are said to have resulted in a greater realisation of street dangers and of the necessity for taking precautions to eliminate accidents. It is to be hoped that equal success will be achieved with them locally.

will get damages if he is in the position I think he is in. Otherwise threaten the landlord that he will carry out the repairs and deduct cost from the rent—and get ejected.

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Yours, etc.,
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Hongkong, June 24.

PRAYA SHOOTING.

PIG DEALER SHOT BY
CONSTABLE.

CORONER'S INQUIRY.

The death of a Chinese pig dealer as the result of a revolver shot fired by a Chinese constable as the deceased and his brother were travelling in a sampan on the way to their junk at the west end of the praya on the night of June 18, was the subject of an inquiry by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Lindsell told the jury that it would be their duty to decide whether the homicide was justifiable or not, and in the latter event they would have to bring in a verdict of manslaughter, or even murder.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, assistant Crown solicitor, watched the case on behalf of the Crown, and Mr. T. H. King on behalf of the police.

In medical evidence, Dr. Craig said he examined the body of the man and found there was a small hole in the soft part of the right loin. It was about six inches above the hip bone and in a vertical line with the back of the arm-pit. The hole appeared to be a bullet wound, but there were no marks of powder or burning, indicating that the revolver had not been fired at close range. Death was due to shock and the hemorrhage due to the wound.

From the appearance of the bullet which was extracted and the manner in which it lodged in the body, Mr. C. Greenwood, the police armourer, gave it as his opinion that the shot was fired from a range of over 30 yards.

A brother of the deceased testified to several shots being fired from the praya as he with his brother were returning to their junk in a sampan about 9 p.m. When the second shot was fired he heard his brother scream, but he did not realise that he had been shot until they arrived alongside the junk when he was found to be dead. Witness said he thought his brother was seasick when he moved his position in the sampan.

Mr. King said it was in the interest of the witness that he should make the time as early as possible, as he was no doubt aware of the regulations governing lying in state after 9 o'clock. The constable would say that the men were on the praya after 10 o'clock. He also pointed out that the inspector's duty was not called up until 12.30 a.m.

The inquiry was adjourned until next Monday.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Major R. Melville Smith, M.B.E. Administrative Commandant, Hongkong, Friday, June 25, 1926.

Engineer Company.
Signal Section will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, June 28, 1926. Dress: Muff.

Armoured Car Company.
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, June 28, 1926.
(a) Vickers Gun under C. S. M. Hancock. Another short course of instruction will be started. All those wishing to learn the gun from the start should attend.

(b) Drivers at Happy Valley as detailed by Corp. Ramsay.
(c) It is notified that Field Day will be held on Sunday, July 18, 1926. Further details will be published in due course.

Infantry Company.
The Kennedy Road Range is available for the Infantry Company on Monday, June 28, 1926 at 5.30 p.m. for Musketry Practices.

Arms.
Members are reminded that rifles and bayonets must be returned to Volunteer Stores at once for overhaul by the Armourer.

Strength.
The following are taken on the strength on June 21, 1926, and posted as under:—

No. 1058 Pte. J. Durran, Mounted Infantry Company.

No. 1059 Pte. J. H. M. Andrew, Mounted Infantry Company.

No. 1060 Pte. W. D. Owen, Armoured Car Company.

Appointment.

No. 455 Pte. T. C. T. Beck, Mounted Infantry Company is appointed Lance-Corporal, as from June 10, 1926.

Resignations.

The following are permitted to resign from the Corps:—

No. 712 Gr. F. F. Williams, Artillery Co. dated June 26, 1926.

No. 955 Pte. J. Holmes, No. 4 Platoon dated June 7, 1926.

No. 629 Pte. D. MacCrone, Reserve Co. dated June 12, 1926.

Struck Off.

No. 107 Pte. A. A. Bolton, Reserve Company (died at Sea on his way home) is struck off the strength on June 18, 1926.

No. 1058 Pte. D. A. Campbell, Mounted Infantry Company having left the Colony is struck off the strength, as from June 22, 1926.

G. B. SWINTON, Captain Adjutant, H.V.D. Corps.

PO PIU RAID.

COMPLETE PRINTING PLANT SEIZED.

RINGLEADER IMPRISONED.

A raid carried out by Det. Sergeant Carey, assisted by Sergeant McEwen and a party of police, was mentioned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday when seven Chinese were charged with keeping a common gaming house for Po Piu lottery tickets and possession of tickets.

According to the evidence, work was in full swing when the raiding party visited a remote matshed on the hillside at Shek O village at 4 o'clock on Wednesday morning. A man named Chan Fu, the first defendant, was proved to be the chief in this illegal printing establishment which had secured compositors and others who had been previously connected with the Yu Hing lottery shop at Macao.

A plea of guilty being tendered by Mr. J. T. Prior on behalf of the defendants, the first was fined \$500 (or three months) and three months' hard labour on the first count, and \$50 on the second count. The others were fined \$25 each, or one month's hard labour in default.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL

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careful investigation by the Government, that His Excellency the Governor has through the Colonial Secretary expressed regret for the misunderstandings and errors of judgment which led to the incident complained of, and has awarded blame where blame seemed due, and also that an amendment of Ordinance No. 6 1906 is under consideration with a view to the better protection of the rights of patients and their relatives. Having received this evidence of the Government's conciliatory and sympathetic attitude, it is small wonder that the Committee availed themselves of the opportunity of renewing the request of the Kowloon Residents' Association that patients in the Kowloon Hospital should be allowed to be attended by their own private doctors, if they so desire.

Hawkers' Cries.

"The attention of the Committee was next called to the fact that the Hawkers' cries, which had been almost silenced in the region South of Austin Road by the prompt and effective action of the Police, were now tuning up again. It was, accordingly, resolved to write to the Captain Superintendent of Police thanking for the energetic measures taken and urging the continuous enforcement of the law.

It was announced with regret that Mr. H. S. Rouse, who had been invited to join the Committee in the place of Mr. E. Cock, was not free to accept the invitation. Mr. F. J. Basterbrook was then proposed and unanimously elected.

Mr. B. L. Frost.

Reference was made to the retirement of Mr. B. L. Frost and the following valedictory letter was cordially approved:—To B. L. Frost, Esq.

Dear Sir,—In view of your impending departure from the Colony, the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, on behalf of the Members, desire to place on record the esteem in which you are held by them. As the first President of the Association, of which you were practically the founder and whose birthplace was your house, you set in motion the machinery which has resulted in the opening up of the finest road in the Colony, namely, Nathan Road, Kowloon, and the erection of what is a still greater boon, the Kowloon Hospital; and they feel sure that the achievement of those two important additions to the amenities of Kowloon before your departure will be a source of gratification to you. They wish you many years of health and strength to enjoy your well-earned Pension and they feel that, wherever you decide to spend those years, the place of your choice will inevitably be the gain for the loss your departure inflicts on Kowloon.

The question of bathing facilities in Kowloon was referred to a Sub-Committee appointed to deal with it.

"LOUD" FAREWELL.

Long strings of firecrackers were fired from the Hongkong Hotel launch yesterday when the "Empress of Asia" put out for Shanghai, taking with it Mr. J. H. Taggart, the popular managing director who is going on holiday. Members of the staff and many friends were on board to bid Mr. Taggart goodbye.

About a hundred of the Chinese staff marched on board in a body to say goodbye. The accompanying launch, with a large number on board, followed the liner out towards the eastern entrance of the harbour, with further toots and cacklers.

TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

AUTHENTIC FIGURES FOR LAST YEAR.

EXPORTS GREATER.

London, June 24.

Authentic figures of British-Russian trade last year are given in a report of the Russo-British Chamber of Commerce, showing that the exports to Russia amounted to \$70,000,000 and the imports to \$85,000,000. The latter were almost entirely foodstuffs and raw material. The exports were mainly manufactured goods.—Reuter.

CHINESE PRELATES.

ELEVATED TO EPISCOPAL RANK.

DEPARTURE BY POPE.

Rome, June 24.

His Holiness the Pope, at a secret consistory, for the first time elevated to Episcopal rank three Chinese prelates—Monsieur Tchang, Vicar-Apostolic of Suifu, and Monsiegnor Suen Melchior, Prefect-Apostolic of Li-hsien, is to be Titular Bishop of Esbon; and Monsiegnor Tcheng Odoria Prefect-Apostolic of Fuchi, is to be Titular Bishop of Cotenna.—Reuter.

AFTER 20 YEARS.

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education of European children. Considerable correspondence bearing on the matter appeared in the Roads, Kowloon, which led to controversy proving a most spirited one.

Another matter in which Mr. Frost particularly interested himself on behalf of the community was the lack of communication between Nathan and Coronation Roads, Kowloon, which led to considerable inconvenience. In his endeavours to bring home to the Government the necessity for the cutting through of Coronation Road Mr. Frost personally conducted members of the Council over the spot and made concrete proposals and was also responsible for the organising of a petition on this matter which was signed by 600 residents from both Kowloon and Hongkong.

Kowloon Choirmaster.

Another branch of activity in which Mr. Frost took a keen interest was that of music at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. He was its first choirmaster and also held the position of member of the Vestry.

Mr. Frost, as a lover of animals, was keenly alive to the need for an organisation for their protection in Hongkong and he was responsible for the resuscitation of the R.S.P.C.A. branch in Hongkong, serving on the Committee as Hon. Sec. and President since it re-started in 1921. For several years, in addition, he was the Hon. Sec. and Treasurer of the Dog and Poultry Show.

In more recent times, Mr. Frost has associated himself with the Mid-Levels Residents' Association of which body (formed last year) he was a member of the first Committee.

Interest in Bowls.

Mr. Frost's chief relaxation of later years has been that of lawn bowls and he took a keen and active interest in the affairs and matches of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club the members of which have made a presentation to him on the occasion of his departure from the Colony.

The good wishes of a very large circle of friends will go with Mr. Frost upon the occasion of his retirement and the wish expressed at the complimentary dinner of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders (his valuable services in connection with which have been the subject of public reference) that he may see his way clear to pay the Colony a return visit in the near future, will be generally reciprocated.

TAISHAN'S TRIALS.

Having completed her docking, and had new bronze propellers fitted, the s.s. Taishan ran trials on the three mile measured course yesterday when a mean speed of over 16½ knots was easily attained, while on two runs a maximum speed of 17.8 knots was attained. It will be recalled that the Taishan was built last year for the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd. by the Takao Dockyard, a full description of this fine vessel being given at the time of completion. She is now on the Hongkong-Macao run again.

THE BOYCOTT.

CANTON GOVT.'S OFFICIAL REPLY.

POINTERS RAISED.

Points are raised in the official reply of the Canton Government to a despatch by the British Consul General in Canton (on behalf of the Governor of Hongkong) anent the boycott negotiations.

It will be seen that the projected "peace conference" has not been put off definitely. The Canton communication (under the name of Mr. Eugene Chen, acting Foreign Minister, to Mr. J. F. Branan, H.B.M. acting Consul-General, Canton) has been authorised for publication in Canton. It reads:—

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch dated June 16 in reply to my note addressed to the Governor of Hongkong in which I expressed the readiness of my Government to enter into negotiations with the Government of Hongkong regarding the Canton-Hongkong strike.

While it is obvious that the strike still continues to be such a political and economic reality as to make any denial of its existence appear at once evasive and futile, my Government, averse from any view of your reply that may lead to a fresh impasse and desirous that the issues involved shall be frankly and resolutely faced—is prepared to authorise its delegates also to negotiate with the official representatives of the Hongkong Government or any other duly appointed representatives of the British Government regarding the manner and means of settling the anti-British boycott, which has been sustained by the Chinese people in Kwantung for precisely a year.

If the forthcoming negotiations are to be undertaken seriously it is essential to clear up two points arising out of your reply. When handing the reply to me, you explained that a rule of the British Imperial service debarred the Governor and Government of Hongkong from direct communication with my Government or any other foreign Government. As this rule seems to apply, a fortiori, to representatives appointed by the Governor and or Government of Hongkong, I am to ask you to inform me whether the representatives named in your despatch will negotiate as members of a purely Hongkong delegation or as members of a British Imperial delegation.

The other point relates to the powers of the British delegates. In my note to the Governor of Hongkong, I stated that my Government was prepared to appoint three delegates, with plenipotentiary powers and I indicated the wish of my Government that your delegates might be vested with equal powers. I am to repeat this wish with the reservation that any settlement reached by the delegates shall be subject to the usual ratification by the respective Governments.

KOWLOON CASES.

Among cases dealt with by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning were the following:—

Mr. H. Dryer, of Carnarvon Avenue, was fined \$5 for allowing his dog to go about without a muzzle.

A charge of stowing away on board the s.s. "Kashgar" from Singapore against a Malay was not pressed by the agents of the vessel, who agreed to take the man back by the s.s. "Mantua" tomorrow. He was accordingly detained.

A woman of middle age, charged with a hawking offence, was described by the police as a stubborn character. She had jumped off a ferry launch while under arrest previously.—She was fined \$10.

A Chinese who was stated to have gone to the assistance of his aunt who had been arrested for hawking was fined \$30 for abusing the constable concerned in the arrest.

HOME MAILS.

The P. and O. "Mantua" arrived this morning with 215 bags letters and papers (London, May 27) and 90 bags parcels (London, May 20).

A total of 235 bags U.S.A. mail via ports was brought by the s.s. "President Jefferson" of which two bags were from London via Siberia.

Delivery of both these mails commenced this afternoon.

Naval officers who were on the "Kashmir" arrived to-day from Home, included:—Lt. Com. Houns-Smith, Lt. O. Fogg-Elliott, Sub-Lt. E. Proctor, Sub-Lt. R. McVicker and Sub-Lt. E. Backhouse.

EMBEZZLEMENT.

TREASURY SHROFF PLEADS GUILTY.

\$2,800 INVOLVED.

A plea of guilty was tendered by Chan Lam, a shroff at the local Treasury, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning to charge of embezzlement of sums of money paid in respect of sums of \$380.50, \$52.40 and \$2,045.89. An alternative to the last charge was that of fraudulently applying for a purpose other than that of the public service a cheque for \$2,045.89 made payable to the Government.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, assistant Crown solicitor, who appeared for the prosecution, said that the defendant having pleaded guilty he would ask His Worship to defer sentence for a week so that investigations may be made to ascertain whether defendant has disclosed the full amount of his defalcations and also what restitution his friends were prepared to make to the Government. He also proposed to call a witness from the Treasury to testify to defendant's good conduct, adding that the Colonial Treasurer had consented to bail in a sum of \$5,000.

The case was adjourned until Thursday morning.

BATHING BEACHES.

REPLIES TO COMMITTEE'S NOTICE.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

The notice issued by the Bathing Beaches Committee relative to the improvement of bathing facilities in the Colony led to over eighty letters being received.

A general suggestion made by almost all the correspondents was that sanitation on the bathing beaches should be improved by the erection of lavatories, and that the rubbish which accumulates on the seashore should be periodically removed.

"Rocks" Or "Pebbles."

A very common suggestion also, was that the big stones should be removed from the shore. One correspondent termed them "pebbles" whilst another bather designated them as "rocks."

Refreshments.

"Pipes with fresh water should be laid along the beaches" wrote another, "and at suitable distances taps should be placed—so that those who desired it could have fresh water."

Another correspondent wants kiosks on the beaches, and another calls for a soda-fountain.

Public Matcheds.

The existing tents at Repulse Bay are criticised by some, the suggestion being made that they should be done away with, and replaced by large public matcheds. The writer further suggests—that costumes should be provided in these matcheds, at a charge of 50 cents to cover both the use of the shed and the hire of the costume.

A Band?

One correspondent considers that the beaches lack the necessary amenities, and wants them to be made like those of our seaside resorts at home. "I suggest," he writes, "that we have a band at the bathing beach on holidays. Why not?"

Additional Beaches.

One bather suggested that Island Bay at Shek O, which he considered the best bathing place in the Colony, should be made a public beach. Several suggested that facilities for bathing at Deep Water Bay should be provided. Other beaches, which correspondents wanted opened were at Hung Hom, Tung Wah, Cheung Chau. Another correspondent complained that there were no bathing facilities in Kowloon.

Help The Children.

Referring to the remote beaches, such as Picnic Bay and Big Wave Bay, one suggestion was that small bamboo piers should be erected. The writer considered that they would certainly be appreciated by school-children, who periodically visited these bays on picnic expeditions. He did not estimate how often they would be washed away in rough weather.

Suggestions were also made for better facilities for the parking of cars, particularly at Castle Peak.

Among the passengers who came out on the P. & O. "Kashmir" were:—Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Butters, Mrs. Skerrett-Rogers and Mr. H. Greenhalgh.

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OPIUM CASE.

ALLEGED DEAL IN THE DRUG.

HEARING RESUMED.

The case against Lau Yu-leung and Yu Yau-heung, charged with traffic in opium, was continued before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning when the first defendant was found to be absent.

Mr. M. K. Lo, who represents the two defendants, explained that the first defendant had been suddenly called away to Canton to consult a doctor and was expected to be back shortly. He asked for an adjournment for two weeks, but His Worship decided to continue with the case and evidence relating to the second defendant occupied this morning's hearing.

Evidence of the subterfuges often employed for the shipment of opium under such descriptions as "Yunnan goods," "southern silk" and "bamboo cloth" was given at a previous hearing by Mr. J. D. Lloyd (Superintendent of Imports and Exports) when reference was made to the documents seized.

Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipston, acting assistant to the S.C.A., gave evidence this morning of translations and précis he had made of the documents, these in particular referring to documents in a leather case claimed by the second defendant, Yu Yau-heung, as his property.

Dealing with these documents in detail, witness referred to business dealing in oil contained in kerosene tins and gold by the tael, and also goods contained in tins of which there was 7½ tins to be sold in Swatow, the price of a tin being about \$900. It was specifically stated that the second defendant had a share in the consignment, this being one tin. Business transactions in which the names of other people also appeared and the chartering of a boat to take the goods to Swatow were also elucidated by witness from a number of documents.

Mr. Lo raised several objections, pointing out that if defendant was a member of a gang and the documents related to a gang it was bad law to incriminate him. At a later stage he said that Mr. Lloyd had in his evidence made out a prima facie case that the goods related to opium and it was up to him (Mr. Lo) to prove that it was not so.

A point on which witness was questioned by Mr. Lo was as to whether the documents were consistent with the view that the second defendant was out of the Colony during the period covered by the books. Witness replied there was no evidence that defendant was out of the Colony and referred to a letter addressed to him in Hongkong.

Mr. Lo expressed a preference to Mr. Lloyd being questioned regarding the documents and he entered the witness box.

The case is proceeding.

OBITUARY.

MR. E. W. LOW.

The death occurred at six o'clock on June 15 at Kobe in the International Hospital of Mr. Eliot Wandle Low, who was in his thirty-second year. The deceased was taken ill last Friday and death is believed to have been caused by septic poisoning. He leaves a widow and two children, a boy and a girl, aged six and four respectively, who are at present staying at the Tor Hotel, Kobe.

The remains are to be sent to New York aboard the "President McKinley," on which it is believed that the widow and children will also leave for the United States.

The late Mr. Low came to Japan in May of last year, as an inspector for E. Cerri and Company, Inc., large silk importers. Most of this company's business is done through the Asahi Silk Company here and it was to this firm that Mr. Low was attached temporarily. Plans had been made for him to return to the United States in August and to this end he had given up his house in Shimoyama Dori and taken rooms at the Tor Hotel. He was very keen on baseball and played on the Y.M.C.A. first quintette. He had a most likable personality, according to the few people who knew him intimately, but during his stay here there had been a good deal of sickness in the family, and this had prevented him from getting around and making many friends in the community.

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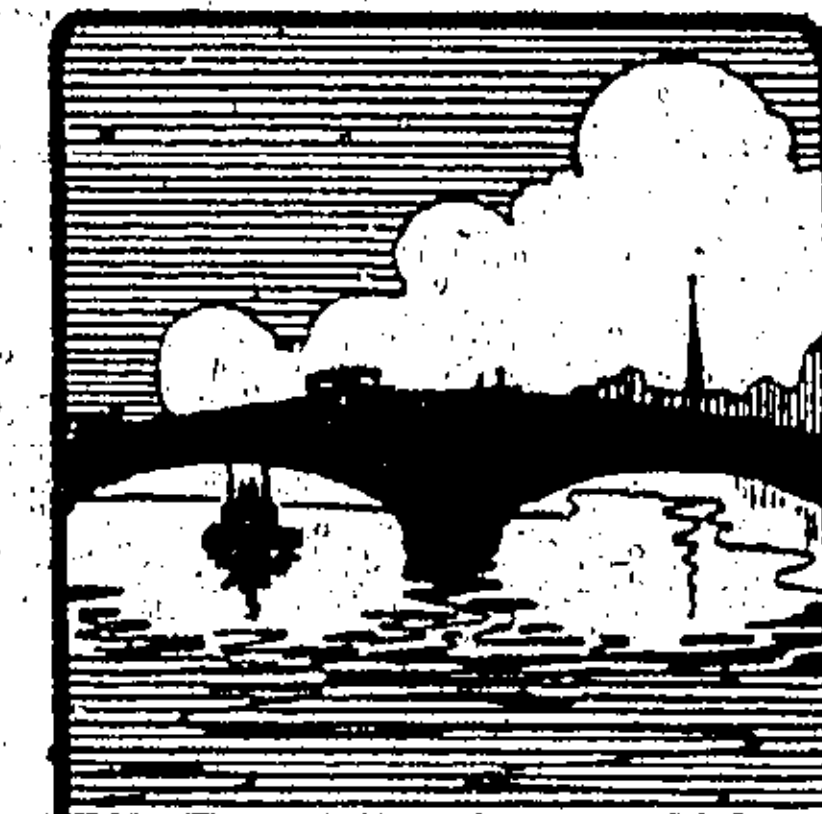
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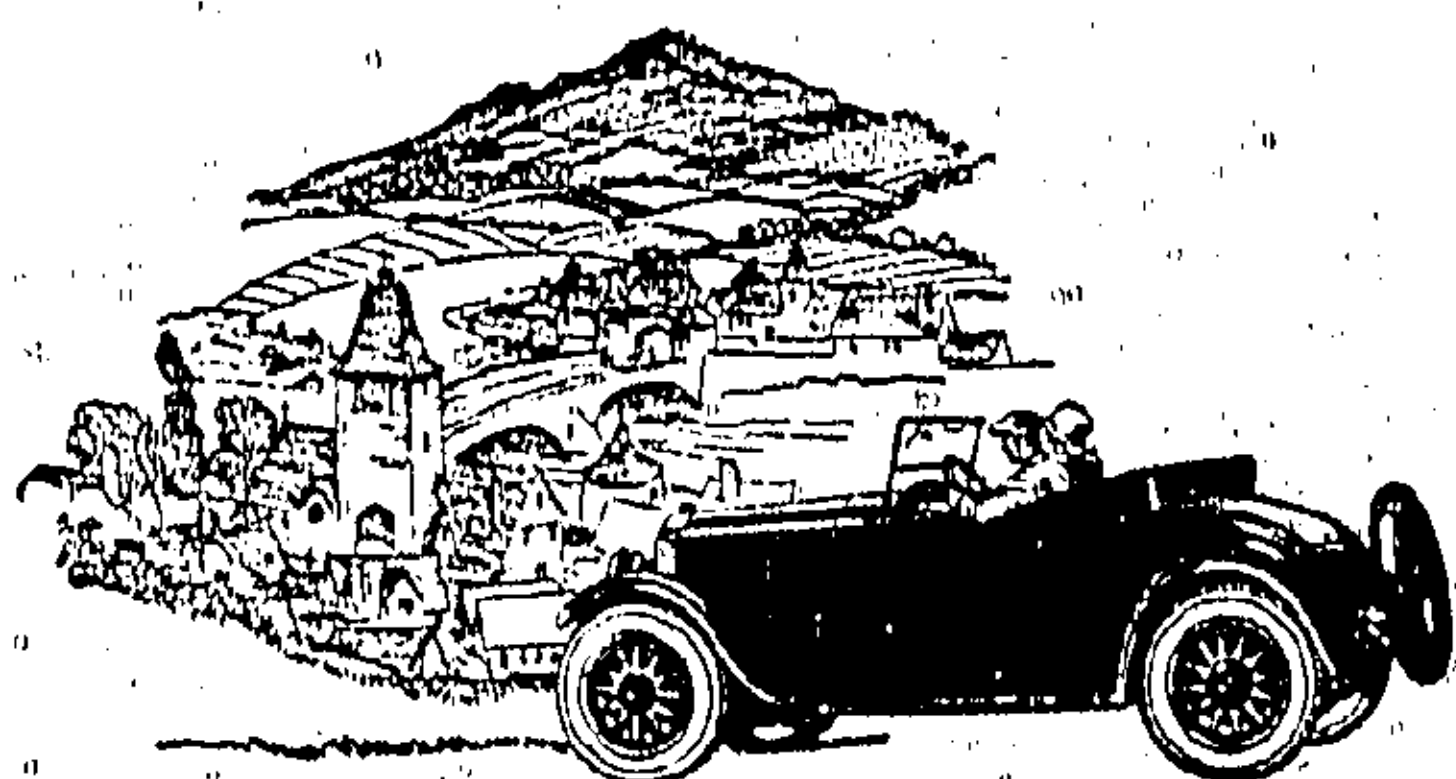
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Nauen, June 3.—A report from Bagdad says that the Kurd tribes at Lake Wan and Djabelkir have begun a widespread rebellion against the Turks.

The case in which three men were charged with an armed robbery on a sampan in Hungnam Bay when they forced the occupants into the hold was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. All three men were committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

The three Chinese, including two sailors on the Water Police launches, who appeared on remand before the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday on charges of demanding \$500 from the occupants of a junk, were each sentenced to four months' hard labour.

There being no sufficient evidence against the Chinese who were arrested on board a junk with a large number of silver and copper coins, he had been released by the police. A charge of unlawful possession of a forged note was preferred against him, but was also withdrawn.

The fusing of a wire in one of the electric fans in the aisle of Queen's theatre led to some of those in the vicinity hurriedly vacating their seats during the 2.30 performance yesterday, the catching of the insulation and grease leading them to believe that the fire might spread. A European seized a fire bucket and extinguished the flame, those who had made a hurried exit then returning. The picture showed throughout the mild panic and the orchestra did not cease playing.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Football Association takes place this evening at 8.30, at the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters. The most important item on the agenda is that which concerns the alteration of rules. It will be proposed that an entirely new set of rules be substituted for those now in existence, the revision applying not only to the Association rules, but to all bodies and competitions directly under its jurisdiction.

Weekly local photographs will appear to-morrow in the "China Mail" including those of three leading baseball teams.

Great Britain's drink bill in 1925, in depression, was more than 350 million pounds sterling, or approximately 1½ billion dollars. The consumption of absolute alcohol is declining, however, there having been a reduction of over 42 per cent. since before the war. Nevertheless, it is estimated that the average expenditure for drink of every non-abstainer family in the United Kingdom last year was \$175.

Chinese students in America are to be forbidden to organise political parties or secret organisations, according to authority requested by Dr. Alfred Sze, and reported to have been granted him by the Foreign Office. The Chinese Minister at Washington is said to have advised the Peking Government that the students get into trouble with the American police when rival parties clash. Such actions cause endless trouble to the diplomatic and consular officers.

Plans are under consideration of the Tokyo municipal authorities for the establishment of an employment agency for nurses. This is to facilitate better service for patients in and out of Tokyo and also to provide employment for approximately 7,000 nurses in Tokyo. The police state that several of the organisations to which the nurses at present belong have collected fees from them but have rendered no accounting.

Receipts of the Summer Palace, Peking, which was reopened after the settling of the military situation, have gained the envious eyes of the Municipal Council. In an official request that latter body has requested forty per cent. of the revenues of the historical centre for the stated purpose of paving the roads in the north suburb and inside the Palace grounds. No answer has been returned by the police Yamen as yet.

Nauen, June 3.—The German Labour and Civil Service organisations have asked the Minister of Food and the Minister of Labour to take measures to increase the amount of frozen beef imports, free of duty.

Berlin, June 8.—Plebiscite results of June 6, from the former principality of Schaumburg-Lippe indicate, according to a Buckeburg despatch, that the people prefer their present status as a federal state of Germany.

The price of beef in the Kuala Lumpur market has been raised from 50 cents to 64 cents per cattie. The price of fish also shows a general rise. Poultry has come down a little. Among vegetables, the price of chilies has come down from 42 cents to 24 cents per cattie and that of tomatoes has gone up from 40 to 48 cents.

Nauen, June 10.—"A Spanish government more democratic than the present parliamentary system will soon replace the old fashioned system of government," declared Primo de Valera, Spanish dictator in a speech at Madrid. He added that he hoped to be able to outline his new scheme shortly.

Changed schedules of two Russian trains and his failure to contract for an aeroplane in China and the fact that no fast liner sailed from Yokohama on June 11, were the factors that determined the defeat of Mr. John Goldstorm in his attempt to circle the globe in less time than 35 days, 21 hours, 35 minutes and 4.5 of a second, the record held by Mr. John Mears of New York.

Regarding the discovery of twenty obsolete cannon in the foundations of the new Chartered Bank building at Penang, an old Chinese has volunteered the information that they were used in the wars between rival kongcoes in Perak. Then they were captured and brought over to Penang by the British and dumped in the old lock-up in the Central station. A suggestion has been put forward that some of them should be sent to the Museum so that their history can be ascertained.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place on July 3, between Dr. Greene, of Kuala Lumpur, and Florence Garrett Boddington, daughter of the late S. R. Bastard and Mrs. Bastard, Chigwell, Essex.

For June 24, the anniversary of the founding in 1920 of the Victoria, Hongkong, and S. China Diocesan Association, a garden party has been arranged at the residence of Mr. Alfred Boyer, Oaklands, Hildenborough, Kent.

Those interested are reminded of the Imperial Concert Party's showing at the Kowloon Cricket Club to-morrow night. This talented company of eight local artists need no introduction. Admission is only \$1 for the splendid variety entertainment offered.

Amongst recent arrivals at Home from Malaya are the Hon. Mr. R. C. M. Kindersley and Mrs. Kindersley, who are residing at Wynton, Hants. Mr. Kindersley is one of the leading planters in Malaya, and is home on a year's holiday, at the conclusion of which he will pay Malaya a six months' visit and then return home for good.

It is notified in the "London Gazette" of May 14 that the King has approved the following Foreign Office appointments dated January 1:—J. T. Pratt, Esq., C.M.G., to be one of His Majesty's Consuls-General in China; G. S. Moss, Esq., M.B.E., to be one of His Majesty's Consuls in China; and A. D. Blackburn, Esq., to be one of His Majesty's Vice-Consuls in China.

Mr. J. K. Innes, C.M.G., late Judge of the Supreme Court of the F.M.S., lectured recently on "British Malaya" before the Hants and Dorset Branch of the Royal Colonial Institute, and paid a warm tribute to the assistance given by Chinese immigrants in the wonderful transformation that has taken place in that country in the last forty years.

The annual reunion of the Victoria, Hongkong, and S. China Diocesan Association was held at Victory House, Leicester-square, on June 2. The chair was taken by the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Lugard, a former Governor of Hongkong, and the speakers included Sir Claude Severn, late Colonial Secretary of Hongkong; H.E. the Chinese Minister; and the Rev. C. B. Shann, Warden of St. John's Hall, Hongkong University.

Miss K. Ward, Miss E. M. Christian and Miss E. B. Rennie have been appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies as nursing sisters for the Straits Settlements.

The following transfer and promotion in the Colonial Service, made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, is announced:—Mr. Hayes Marriott, C.M.G., General Adviser, Johore, to Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Holland and family were due to leave Shanghai on the President Cleveland yesterday for home leave in the United States. Mr. Holland, who is the passenger agent for the Dollar Steamship Lines, expects to be away about six months.

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty on May 25:—Lieuts. D. W. Graham, F. A. Pigou, J. H. Topp, and R. C. D. Grimes, to Tamar, additional (June 21), and for command of armed launch (undated); C. Y. C. Keays, to Tamar (May 26).

The ex-President, Tsao Kun, was to have spent the Dragon Boat Festival in Tientsin, after which he was to have gone to Tangku, his native district, to sweep the grave of his ancestors, which he has not done since he became President in 1923.

The arrival at Kingston of Sir E. Reginald Stubbs as Governor of Jamaica was illustrated in the Empire Supplement of "The Times." Sir Reginald, who was formerly Governor of Hongkong, was seen passing the guard of honour of the West India Regiment.

The following from British Malaya have been elected Fellows of the Royal Colonial Institute:—Capt. H. S. J. Lloyd (Singapore), E. P. Masters, M.D. (Fahang), Vivian A. Taylor (Seremban), Ernest A. Curley (Sungei Beal), Mrs. F. W. Howl (Kuala Lumpur), and V. D. Kuppasamy (Parit Buntar).

The death is announced of Mr. F. W. Smith, late of the Singapore Harbour Board and formerly of the Cold Storage Company. Mr. Smith went home with his wife by the City of Valencia. Mr. G. W. A. Trimmer, of Singapore, received a telegram from Mrs. Smith, saying that her husband had passed away suddenly at Plymouth.

Washington, June 16.—Charles Herring, the newly appointed commercial attaché to the American embassy in Tokyo, left for Japan to-day.

A British official wireless message announces the death of Sir Henry Orrie, the well-known surgeon, and one of the founders of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. So great was his reputation as a surgeon, especially for operations on the kidneys that in 1904 he was summoned on a professional visit to Bombay. At that time he was the only European surgeon who had ever been called to India to operate.

Jesselton, June 8.—The news of the accident which caused the death of Mr. Lowndes at Singapore, came as a great shock to everyone in Borneo who knew him. During the time he was acting as Manager of the Jesselton Ice and Power Company, he lived at Jesselton where he was a great supporter of the Club, playing, as he did, all games well. His memory will be kept green here by the two beautiful cups that he gave us to commemorate his good luck in the 1925 Derby.

Kobe, June 17.—After a ten days' exhaustive search Miss Heppingstone, a British stenographer in the Kobe office of the Rising Sun Petroleum Co., who disappeared on June 7, was finally found dead yesterday in a valley between hills one and a half miles from her house at Tarumi. Miss Heppingstone, who was 37 years of age, was found lying on the ground, holding in her left hand a bunch of withered lilies which she apparently had picked during her ramblings. The autopsy shows that death was caused by heart failure as a result of sunstroke.

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IN THE REALM OF SPORT

SUZANNE LOSES.

FAINTING FIT AT WIMBLEDON.

AMERICAN VICTORY.

French Girl Champion, May Withdraw.

London, June 24.

Miss Ryan and Miss Brown (U.S.A.) beat Miss Suzanne Lenglen and Miss Vlasto (France) 3-6 9-7, 6-2 in the ladies' doubles of the Wimbledon lawn tennis championships.

Earlier.

These two pairs met in the second round. The French girls were leading by 3 games to 2 when rain interrupted play.

Later.

The defeat of Miss Lenglen in the doubles was due to the Americans' brilliance.

Match By Stages.

Rising to the occasion, the Misses Ryan and Brown led by 5-4 in the second set. In the 10th game, they needed only one point to take the set, but the score became 5-4.

Then the French pair pulled up. Three times they were (having secured the lead at 7-6) within a point of the set and match, this being in the 14th game, but the Americans won this game and the score then became 7-6. After that, the winners took two games, 9-7, and made the score one set all.

In the third set the Americans played as if inspired by success, forced home their advantage, and were very confident.

After the doubles match, Suzanne had a fainting fit. It is understood that there is a probability of her scratching from the singles as she is not well.

The singles match, Miss Lenglen v. Miss Dewhurst, postponed from yesterday, was withdrawn.—Reuter.

Spanish Challenger.

Wimbledon was crowded to-day in showery weather.

Interest centred on the debut of the Spanish challenger, Senorita d'Alvarez.



Senorita d'Alvarez.

d'Alvarez, who beat Mrs. Houghton (Ireland) by 6-2, 6-0.

Chief Results.

Owing to rain, the Duke of York's match (partnered by Wing-Com-mander Greig in the doubles) has been postponed. Chief results were:

Men's singles (4th round):—Howard Kinsey (U.S.A.) beat Bryan (the Dutch Davis Cup player) 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.

Men's singles (3rd round):—Mayes (Canada) beat Aschliman (Swiss champion) 3-6, 6-7, 6-1, 6-1, 6-4. C. H. Kingsley (British) beat Decugia (the French captain) 6-2, 6-2, 9-7. Jean Borotra (France) beat A. H. Lowe 6-3, 6-4, 7-5. J. D. P. Wheatley (British) beat Davison 1-6, 6-4, 5-7, 6-0, 6-3.—Reuter.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY FIXTURES.

League tennis matches arranged for to-morrow (as far as are known) comprise the following, the matches to be played on the lawns of the first-named clubs:

Division A.

Kowloon C.C. v. M.B.K.
H.K.C.C. v. University.
Chinese R.C. v. U.S.R.C.

Division B.

Craigengower C.C. v. H.K.C.C.
M.B.K. v. University.
Club de Recreo v. C.S.C.C.
Netherland T.C. v. U.S.R.C.
Kowloon C.C. v. C.R.C.

Division C.

Chinese R.C. v. K.C.C.
Hongkong C.C. v. C.C.C.
Talkoo v. Club de Recreo.
Chinese R.C. v. K.C.C.

Two matches have so far been arranged for Sunday, these being the Kowloon C.C. "A" and "B" teams against the University, at Kowloon.

LADIES' GOLF.

MISS CECIL LEITCH WINS FINAL.

AN EASY VICTORY.

London, June 24.

At Harlech, in the Ladies' open golf final, Miss Cecil Leitch beat



Miss Cecil Leitch.

Mrs. Garon (Essex) by 8 up and 7 to play.—Reuter.

HORSE SHOW.

ROYALTY PRESENT AT OLYMPIA.

BRITAIN FIRST IN CUP.

Rugby, June 24.

Their Majesties the King and Queen, and Princess Ingrid of Sweden, attended the International Horse Show at Olympia this afternoon to see horsemen of Britain, France, Belgium, Sweden and United States compete for Prince of Wales Cup.

Britain was first and the United States second.—British Wireless Service.

HONG DOUBLES.

TENNIS COMPETITION AT H.K.C.C.

Below is given the draw (with handicap allotted) in the "hong doubles" tennis tournament of the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Byes: M. M. Watson and G. N. Tinson plus 15/3 (Johnson, Stokes and Master) v. R. Hancock and H. Greensmith owe 4/6. H. Spicer and J. D. H. Crawford plus 15/3 (Butterfield and Swire) v. G. R. Sayer and N. L. Smith owe 1/6. Major Stevenson and Major Pratt (R.A.M.C.) owe 15/3 v. C. V. Mark and A. K. Mackenzie plus 3/6 (Hollyoak, Massey & Co.) E. J. R. Mitchell and N. C. Barber plus 5/6 (Bradleys) v. J. T. Prior and G. S. Hugh Jones plus 4/6 (Wilkinson and Grist). R. H. Blake and J. S. Scott plus 15 (Butterfield and Swire) v. H. R. Forsyth and B. Crowley plus 15 (Butterfield and Swire). A. C. I. Bowker and A. D. Humphreys plus 2/6 (Dodwell's) v. A. Brearley and J. A. Summers scr. (Chartered Bank). W. M. Lyons and F. W. Southam plus 5/6 (A.P.C.) v. H. Owen Hughes and H. R. Remington plus 3/6 (Wickling).

Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and E. W. Hamilton plus 15/1 (C.S.O.) v. R. E. Coxon and N. L. Raitton plus 15 (Jardine, Matheson and Co.). A. W. Hayward and J. D. Humphreys plus 8/6 v. C. L. Sandes and H. Graves plus 8/6 (Mercantile Bank). W. A. Nowers and L. M. S. Lloyd plus 1/6 (A.P.C.) v. H. R. Phelps and C. H. Bradley plus 15/1 (Auditt). J. W. Alabaster and S. M. Garrard plus 5/6 (Union) v. G. Miskin and C. Blaker plus 1/6 (Gilmans).

Byes: R. L. Moncrieff and J. Walker plus 15/1 (H. & S. Bank v. R. A. Jardine and J. H. Sutcliffe plus 15/3 (H. & S. Bank). L. Foster and F. A. Redmond owe 15/3 (University) v. W. L. Smith and K. A. Mason plus 15/1 (Jardine, Matheson and Co.). D. S. Green and T. D. E. Pendered plus 5/6 (A.P.C.) v. F. Syme Thompson and R. K. Valentine plus 15/1 (Dodwell's). R. V. Moodie and H. V. Parker plus 15/1 (H. & S. Bank) v. Lt. Col. M. Bates and Major R. S. Paton plus 3/6 (Surreys). G. W. Sewell and E. Grimble owe 8/6 v. W. B. Cornaby and A. Piercy scr. (Jardine, Matheson and Co.). Dr. Craig and Dr. Valentine plus 1/6 v. H. J. V. K. Stevenson and E. A. Simon plus 15/3 (Jardine, Matheson and Co.). Lt. Col. Edmeades and Capt. Howard owe 1/6 (R.G.A.) v. Lt. J. H. Smith and Lt. Maude plus 3/6 (H.K.S.R.A.). [The 1st and 2nd rounds to be played before July 15. Courts may be booked by ringing up Talpole.]

BRITAIN BEHIND.

LATEST STAGES IN OPEN GOLF AT HOME.

SIX AMERICANS LEAD.

London, June 24.

At Stame's, the British open golf championship continued in perfect weather before 2,000 spectators.

After the automatic retirement of all players with 15 or more strokes behind the leaders, there are 52 left in the competition, the leaders of which are six Americans. Next come two Americans and two Britishers (names marked with an asterisk).

(The position is given below (the second score after a name being the score of the 18 holes played to-day):—

W. Melhorn 70, 74 = 144
Bobby Jones 72, 72 = 144
W. Hagen 68, 77 = 145
Al Watrous 71, 75 = 146
McLeod 71, 75 = 146
G. von Elm 75, 72 = 147
Walker = 150
T. D. Armour 74, 76 = 150
Compton = 150

* Barber (Buxton) = 150
Other scores by the most notable Britishers are:—

Havers 75, 76 = 151
Gadd = 151
Duncan 75, 79 = 154
Mitchell 78, 78 = 156

[Note:—Hagen's 68 (record) was the best round on the first day. The best second day (as cabled) were 72 each by the two American amateurs, Jones and von Elm. R. Whitcombe made 73 and Jim Barnes (holder) 77 the first day, but neither name is given to-day.]

The most prominent failures were those of:—Aubrey Boomer, C. J. H. Tolley, Vardon and two American amateurs, Mackenzie and Watts Gunn.—Reuter.

THE AUSTRALIANS.

MATCH WITH DERBYSHIRE DRAWN.

SECOND DAY'S PLAY.

Chesterfield, June 24.

The two-day match between Derbyshire and the Australians was left drawn. Second day's play:—

4,000 spectators; wicket easy; weather fine.

The Australians declared their 1st innings closed at 373 runs for 5 wickets. W. Bardsley made 127, A. J. Richardson 68, W. M. Woodfull 53 not out.

Derbyshire (1st innings) scored 146 runs. C. V. Grimmett took 4 wickets for 55 runs and A. A. Mailey 3 for 46.

Derbyshire followed-on and had scored 56 runs for 2 wickets when stumps were drawn.—Reuter.

Rain restricted play on the first day, resulting:—The Australians had scored 223 runs for 2 wickets down, when rain fell.

H. L. Collins was at the wicket for 2 hours; he scored 93, which included 14 fours. W. Bardsley made 87 not out.

K.C.C. TENNIS TEAMS.

The following teams have been selected for the Kowloon C.C. for tennis league matches during the week-end.

"A" v. M.B.K. (at home) on Saturday.—S. E. Green and E. C. Fincher, T. Lay and N. Trambitzky, E. T. Fincher and C. E. Millard.

"B" v. C.R.C. (home) on Saturday.—L. Jack and H. C. Bough, Geo. Lee and A. E. Guest, W. M. Gittins and G. S. Ford.

"C" v. C.R.C. (away) on Saturday.—D. J. Purves and J. M. Jack, A. Hanson and C. H. Atkins, A. J. Pedersen and C. H. Leddra.

"A" v. University (home) on Sunday.—S. E. Green and E. C. Fincher, T. Lay and N. Trambitzky, E. T. Fincher and C. E. Millard.

"B" v. University (home) on Sunday.—L. Jack and F. Wheeler, Geo. Lee and A. E. Guest, A. Hanson and H. C. Bough.

NEW SPORT

GOLF WORLD'S RECORD.

Nashville, June 24.

George Livingstone, a native of North Berwick, Scotland, and a golf professional at the Bellemare course, beat Bobby Jones's qualifying score of 184 in the British open championship, and has established a new world's record in tournament competition by doing two rounds, over the 6,884 yards course at Bellemare, in 67 and 66 (total 133).—Reuter's American Service.

PALACE HOTEL BILLIARDS.

In the Palace Hotel billiards handicap, Philip Tal (ows 150) beat T. Mitchell (ows 120) by 250 points to 245 in the 2nd round last night.

[Breaks: Tal 21, 18, 16, 38, Mitchell 16.]
To-night: J. F. Riffere (ows 200) v. P. Clough (ows 120).

BOWLS.

NOTES ON TO-MORROW'S GAMES.

LIST OF FIXTURES.

(By "Skip.")

The following are the League games, down for decision to-morrow (if the weather permits):

FIRST DIVISION.

Civil Service v. Kowloon D.R.C.
Craigengower v. Talkoo.
Kowloon B.G. v. Police.

SECOND DIVISION.

de Recreo v. Indian.
Kowloon C.C. v. Craigengower.
Talkoo v. Yacht Club.
East Point v. Civil Service.

The Civil Service are at home to the Kowloon Dock team. The latter are making a strong bid for the championship and are such a well-balanced combination that I am afraid that the home team to-morrow will not be strong enough to stand off defeat.

Craigengower lost at home to the Dock team last week by one shot. To-morrow they meet another strong combination in the Talkoo twelve. The latter are also in the running for the championship honours. They may, however, be puzzled by the home green. Should Craigengower lose to-morrow they will hardly have any further interest in First League honours.

The two lower members of the senior division meet at Kowloon to-morrow. So far the home team has not won a game. On the other hand the Police have only one win and a draw to their credit. The Bowling Green Club are due for a win, and may probably secure one to-morrow. If they do not their chances of being the "wooden spoonists" should be pretty safe. The K.B.G.C. team will comprise:—

Hazel, Dobbie, MacLachlan, and Whitley (skip).
Nicholls, Chapman, W. M. Johnson, and Guy (skip).
Nish, Fearman, Holland, and Macfarlane.

The East Point Club are very confident of securing the Second Division championship this year! So far they have not lost a game, but are on top of the League table by virtue of having a match in hand over the Kowloon Cricket Club and Talkoo R.C. To-morrow they meet the Civil Service for the first time and they will find no easy task in front of them. However, playing at home, they have a slight advantage and may secure two more points.

The next Club interested in the honours of this division are the Kowloon Cricket Club, and they are at home to the Craigengower C.C. this week. These teams have not met before this season, but judging from previous performances, it seems as if the home team will win.

Talkoo have also a very great interest in this division as they are on a level with the K.C.C., both having the same number of points and having played equal games. They should have an easy win to-morrow and thereby enhance their chances.

The two weakest teams in this division meet to-morrow. The Club de Recreo will have the advantage of playing on their own ground, but as they have already lost two games in succession there, it does not seem of much use to them. The Indians are very weak this year, and although they will put up a big fight, I do not anticipate that they will secure their first two points to-morrow.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The following are the positions in the League to date:—

Division I.

P.W.D. L. P.
Talkoo R.C. 5 4 0 1 8
Kowloon Dock 5 4 0 1 8
Craigengower C.C. 4 0 2 8
Civil Service 5 2 1 2 5
Police R.C. 6 1 1 4 8
Kowloon B.G. 5 0 0 5 0

Division II.

P.W.D. L. P.
East Point R.C. 4 4 0 0 8
Kowloon C.C. 5 4 0 1 8
Talkoo R.C. 5 3 0 2 6
Civil Service 5 2 1 2 5
Craigengower 5 2 0 3 4
Yacht Club 5 2 0 3 4
Club de Recreo 5 1 1 3 8
Indian R.C. 2 4 0 0 4 0

(Continued at foot of next column.)

BASEBALL LEAGUE.

LOCAL FIXTURES FOR WEEK-END.

TABLES TO DATE.

Fixtures for the week-end, in the Hongkong Baseball League are: Saturday:—South China v. Club de Recreo; Japanese v. H.K.V.D.C. Sunday:—H.K.B.C. v. Club de Recreo.

The league table now stands at:—

South China W. L. Pct.
Japanese 3 1 .750
H.K. Baseball Club 2 2 .500
Filipinos 1 3 .250
Defence Corps 2 2 .500
Club de Recreo 1 1 .500

I doubt if there is a smarter pitcher in the American League than Urban Shocker of the New York Yankees, says Billy Evans in the "China Press."

Shocker's pitching repertoire includes everything and he mixes the varied assortment up most deftly. "Pitch to the small end of the bat," is Shocker's favourite bit of advice on how to succeed as a pitcher.

In other words, Shocker simply means pitch inside, make the batter hit the ball on the handle rather than at the end of the bat. It is practically impossible to get distance to any ball that is pitched inside, to the small end of the bat.

New York, June 12.

Joe McGinnity, who claims to have thrown more curve balls than any other two pitchers in organised baseball, says that "iron men" have passed out of the major leagues because most modern hurlers grasp the pellet improperly and fail to take the mound often enough.

PING PONG.

UNIVERSITY DEFEAT THE CHINESE R.C.

SCORES IN DETAIL.

Playing teams of five-a-side, seven games to each match, the University beat the Chinese Recreation Club at ping-pong.

Scores are given below, by courtesy, with the University names mentioned first:—

A. A. Rumjahn 2-5
V. Ng Sze-kwong 2-5
Yew Man-tsun 5-2
Ho Ka-lau 3-4
Choy Wai-fai 2-5
Yew Man-kit 4-3

T. W. Chong 16-19
V. Ng Sze-kwong 4-3
Yew Man-tsun 6-1
Ho Ka-lau 6-1
Choy Wai-fai 4-3
Yew Man-kit 5-2

W. M. Cheung 25-10
V. Ng Sze-kwong 3-4
Yew Man-tsun 6-1
Ho Ka-lau 6-1
Choy Wai-fai 3-4
Yew Man-kit 5-2

C. P. Cheah 28-12
V. Ng Sze-kwong 6-1
Yew Man-tsun 6-1
Ho Ka-lau 6-1
Choy Wai-fai 3-4
Yew Man-kit 6-1

B. P. Ng 27-8
V. Ng Sze-kwong 2-5
Yew Man-tsun 6-1
Ho Ka-lau 6-1
Choy Wai-fai 4-3
Yew Man-kit 6-1

Grand total: University 115 games, Chinese R.C. 60 games.

"TIED" HURDLES RECORD.

Columbus (Ohio), June 7.

George Guthrie of Ohio State University, to-day tied the world's record in the 120 yard high hurdles by breaking tape in 14.2/5 seconds. Guthrie may tour Europe this summer.—"China Press."

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Civil Service 318 297 19 0
Craigengower 289 350 0 1
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Club de Recreo 282 318 0 58
Indian R.C. 177 289 0 114

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JUNE 25, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Shareholders' Association.	Estate Brokers' Share & Real Society.
T.T. on London	2/3	2/3	2/3
T.T. on Shanghai	76	76	nom.
Hongkong Bank	1127 1/2 b	1130 b & sa	1135 b.
do. London	1131 n	—	1135 1/2 n
Chartered Bank	£20 b.	£20 1/2 n.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£30 1/2 n.	£30 n.	—
do. C.	£13 1/2 n.	£13 1/2 n.	—
& O. Bank	£2 1/2 n.	£2 1/2 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	£8 1/2 n.	£8 1/2 n.	£8 1 b
Marine Insurance	—	—	—
Canton Insurance	640 b.	640 b.	£640 b.
China Underwriters	1.80 b.	1.90 n.	1.90 n.
North China Insurance	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance	285 sa	285 b.	£285 b.
Yangtze Insurance	37 1/2 b.	40 b.	—
Fire Insurance	—	—	—
China Fire Insurance	200 b.	185 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	585 b.	585 b.	585 b.
Shipping	—	—	—
Douglases	24 1/2 n.	24 b.	24 b.
Hongkong Steamboats	26 1/2 n.	26.00 b.	26 1/2 n.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	24 n.	2 1/2 n.	2 1/2 n.
Indo-China (Pref.)	20 n.	30 n.	30 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	46 1/2 n.	—	45 n.
do. () Hk.	—	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	—	—	—
Shell Transports	92 1/2 n.	92 1/2 b.	92 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	67 1/2 n.	67 1/2 b.	67 1/2 n.
Water-boats	15 n.	15 n.	15 n.
Medanries	—	—	—
China Sugars	24 1/2 b.	25 b.	24 1/2 b.
Malabon Sugars	34 n.	35 n.	35 n.
Mining	—	—	—
Benguet	14 1/2 n.	—	—
Kallian Mining Ad.	47 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.
Angkats (Combined)	23 n.	7 1/2 n.	7 1/2 n.
do. (Single)	12 1/2 b.	12 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5 1/2 n.	5 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	7 1/2 n.	6 1/2 n.	—
Stamps	35 n.	34 n.	—
Ironoh Mines	65 1/2 n.	60 1/2 b.	—
Central Caspians	8 1/2 n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.	—	—	—
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$122 b.	123 n.	\$122 b.
H.K. & W. Docks	54 1/2 b.	53 n.	54 1/2 b.
Hongkows	T 170 b.	—	170 b.
New Engineerings	594 b.	T 5.00 b.	594 b.
Shanghai Docks	105 b.	105 1/2 b.	105 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs. H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	1034-10.80 n.	1034-10.80 sa	11 n.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	67 n.	67 n.	67 n.
H.K. Realty	5.80 b.	6 n.	6 n.
H.K. Territorial	5 n.	5 1/2 n.	5 n.
Thompson's Estates	14 b.	14 1/2 n.	14 n.
Princes Building	95 n.	100 n.	—
Rural Lands	5 n.	—	—
Cotton Mills	—	—	—
Two Cottons	9 b. 9 1/2 n.	T 9 1/2 n.	T 9 b.
Oriental	2.80 n.	3 n.	2 1/2 n.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	53 n.	53 b.	53 n.
do. (new)	28 n.	27 b.	27 n.
Miscellaneous	—	—	—
Canton Ice	\$7 1/2 n.	\$7 n.	\$7 n.
Cements (comb.)	14 b.	14 1/2 n.	13 1/2 n.
do. (old)	13 n.	13 n.	12 1/2 b.
do. (new)	3 n.	2 1/2 n.	2 1/2 b.
China Buses	10 1/2 b.	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	22 n.	21 1/2 b.	22 n.
do. (old)	16 b.	15 1/2 b.	16 n.
do. (new)	12 1/2 b.	12 1/2 n.	12 n.
China Prov. (comb.)	—	—	—
do. (old)	6 b.	6.05 b. 6.10 a.	6.10 b.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Dairy Farms	1834 n.	19 n.	18 1/2 n.
W. A. Wing (full pd.)	6 n.	8 n.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements	11 1/2 n.	11 1/2 b.	—
H.K. Constructions	24 n.	3 n.	3 1/2 n.
Hongkong Electric	68 1/2 n.	69 n.	69 n.
H.K. Developments	20 n.	20 n.	20 n.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	29 n.	20 n.	20 n.
do. (old)	10 n.	10 1/2 n.	10 n.
do. (new)	5 n.	5 1/2 n.	5 n.
Hongkong Tramways	24 1/2 n.	24 1/2 n.	24 1/2 n.
Trams, Crawford	9 n.	8 1/2 n.	9 1/2 n.
Macan Electric	35 b.	—	—
Macintosh	19 1/2 n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobacco	—	13 b.	—
Peak Trams (old)	16 1/2 b.	17 1/2 b.	17 n.
do. (new)	7.00 n.	8 n.	7 1/2 b.
Singapore	11 n.	10 1/2 n.	9 1/2 n.
Singapore Trams	12 n.	6 1/2 n.	—
Traxis	4 n.	3 n.	2 1/2 n.
United Asbestos	20 n.	—	—
do. (Founders) (Ordinary)	—	600 n.	—
Watsons (old)	13 b.	13 1/2 b.	13 n.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Wm. Powells	6 1/2 n.	5.95 n.	7 n.
H.K. Telephone	—	—	3.80 n.

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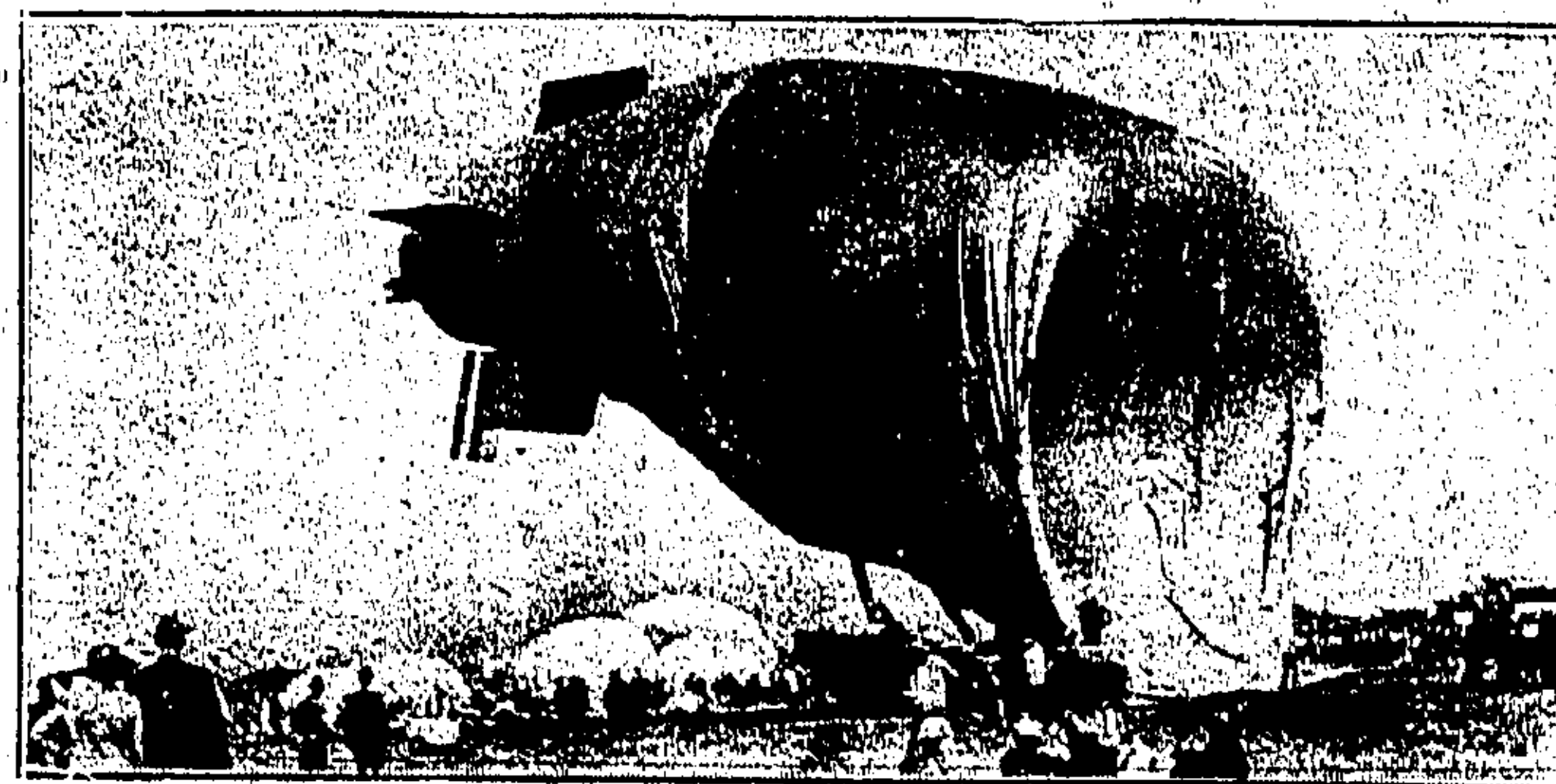
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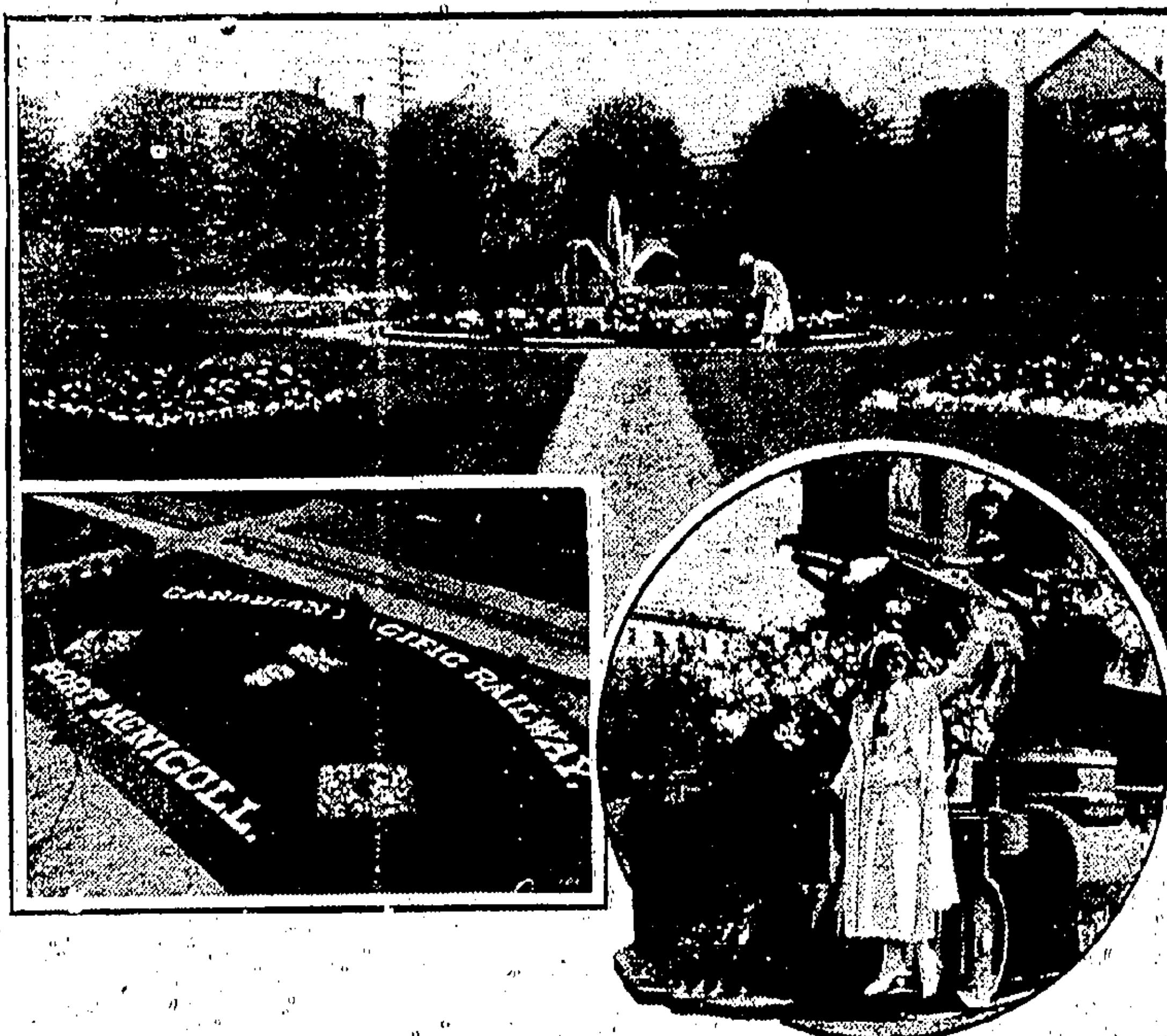
Thomas Arnold, of the Montreal Maroons, with the famous Stanley Cup which he received on behalf of the team, winners of the world's professional hockey championship this year.



A slight tear in the bag of this balloon, which was entered in an International balloon race, permitted 210,000 feet of the precious helium gas to escape. The loss was \$80,000. The balloon was unable to compete.



Miss Aileen Mellon, daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, Andrew Mellon, and heiress to one of the largest fortunes in America, is engaged to marry David K. Bruce, son of Senator Bruce.



Summer scenes along the C.P.R. in Canada. Upper:—Kenora Station garden. Lower left:—Looking down on artistic Port McNicoll station garden. Lower right:—"Countess of Dufferin," the first C.P.R. engine to enter Winnipeg in her summer finery.



Miss Grace Prescott, (17), a High School student, thought a lot more of her sweetheart, Roland Valley (20), than she did of algebra, so she dressed in boy's clothes and they eloped. The Police noticed something feminine about her walk and they were arrested.

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THE following remarkable account of Zam-Buk's triumph over a desperate poisoned wound is contained in a letter from C. B. Coates, Esq., Dept. of Customs, Rabaul, West Pacific, who writes:—"Whilst visiting outlying islands, I had the misfortune to severely cut my ankle on a submerged piece of coral. The injury gave great pain and swelled alarmingly, and medical treatment failed to heal the ghastly wound. I was so reconciled to the idea of having my foot taken off, that I decided to send in my resignation.

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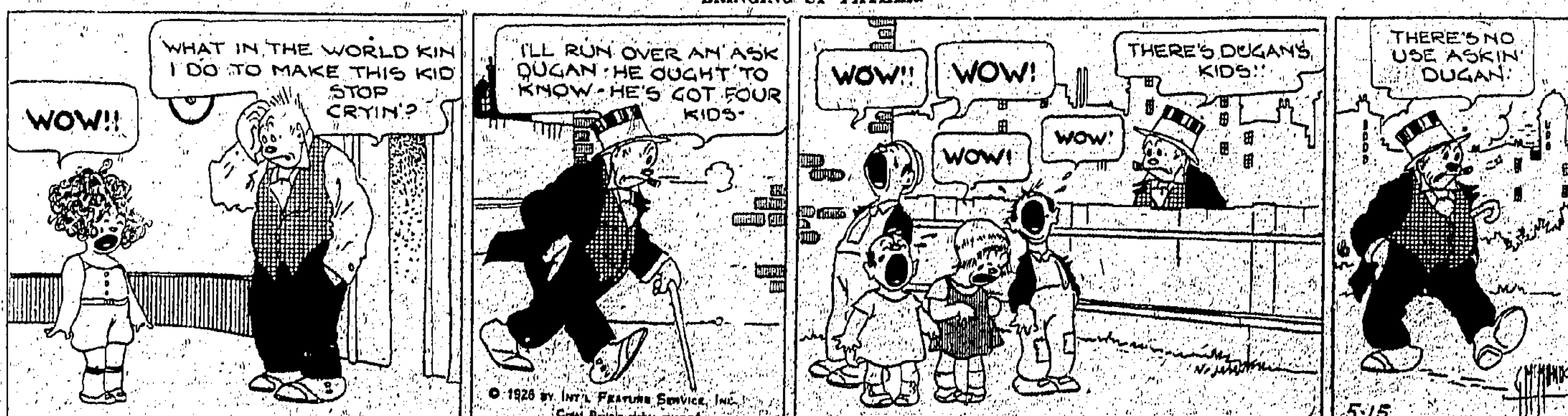
James H. Kingsmore, of Baltimore, was sentenced to five lashes with the cat-o-nine-tails for beating his wife. Kingsmore, the public whipping post, and Sheriff John E. Potee, with the lash, are shown above.

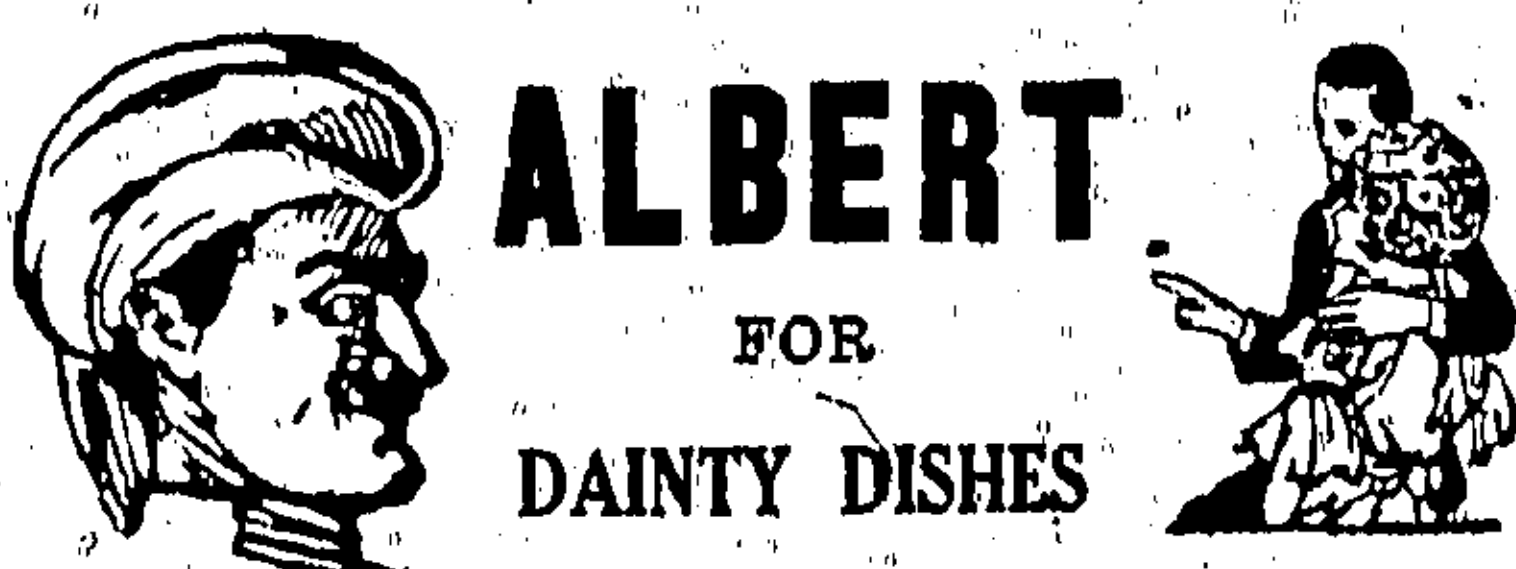


Sport Fashions—Baroness de Beek illustrates a striking tennis costume designed by Sonia Bloor. Trousers with front and back skirt fastened with three small dog-collar buckles.

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STORING MUSIC IN WAX.

VISIT TO A GRAMOPHONE FACTORY.

Few people have a more interesting job than Mr. F. Gaisberg, who acts as host at the recording studio of a well-known gramophone company.

"Many great pianists are more particular about the stool they use than the piano," he told the Titi Bits man, "and most of them bring their own stool. First-class pianists will play only on one make of piano, and Paderewski even brings his own tuner with him."

"Pachmann" brings a special piano with him, for his feet are so short that he cannot reach the pedals of an ordinary instrument. The keys of his piano are of a special size, so that he can make the necessary stretches.

Music and Mirth.

"Kreiser worked for six hours a day in the studio making numerous tests before a record was made of his playing, and even then he would make a master record six or seven times before he was satisfied with it."

"Melba, Tetrazzini, and Galli-Curci always demand a certain amount of ceremony. Their visits are in the nature of elaborate receptions. Melba is a particularly strict disciplinarian. But many famous artists thoroughly enjoy the business of making records. They regard it as a holiday."

"The most difficult cases are performers who regard recording as a strain. When John McCormack and Kreiser come to the studio we have to keep the place free from people except the recorder."

Other artists prefer an audience. Pachmann is never at his best without somebody to listen to him. The same may be said of Lamond, another famous pianist, and before their pieces both these artists give talks that are often very interesting.

"On a record made a few weeks ago by Pachmann," Mr. Gaisberg continued, "are interspersed a few remarks on the Chopin Valse which he was playing. He explains that he will play one movement in the manner of Brahms, and another in the style of Paganini. Lamond gives descriptions of certain passages 'as his old master, Liszt, would play them.'"

"We sometimes invite an audience for Chaliquina, which puts him in the right mood. The famous singer says he would like to record at midnight, because 'he is not tuned up until then.' Few tenors are warmed up until late afternoon, whereas baritones are more robust and can sing at any hour."

"Paderewski is a very witty and clever man, but resents any liberty. At first he refused to come near a gramophone studio, so we went to the trouble of building a special studio near his villa in Switzerland. Even then we had to wait patiently

for him all day. He would come in suddenly and say, 'I am ready,' and whatever the hour, we had to record."

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PEKING WOMEN THIEVES.

Peking, June 3.—A ring of women thieves has been run to earth by the arrest of its leader "Beauty Chiao" by the police outside Chien Men yesterday.

Because of her good looks and rich clothes, this female robber had evaded suspicion up to the time of her arrest. Her downfall came yesterday when she vamped a well-to-do man and took his purse in the process.

Only twenty-four years old, "Beauty Chiao" flirted with a young man of means about five o'clock yesterday afternoon and walking close to him got his purse. The police, however, had been shadowing the woman and she was quickly in custody. The victim was not aware that he had been robbed until the detectives called his attention to the fact.

The gang of women thieves with which the prisoner had been operating included "Big Feet Chow," "Sister Li" and several others, whose nicknames are not given.



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BLUEJACKET'S BUSINESS.

ALLEGED DESERTER FOUND RUNNING A CAFE.

Tsingtau, June 12.—The bold exploits of an American blue-jacket are now engaging the attention of the community and naval visitors. This young man, a mail orderly once serving on the U.S.S. "Asheville," absconded from that ship some six months ago. He is alleged to have left with a considerable sum of money, representing remittances entrusted to him by his comrades for transmission to the United States.

The deserting sailor travelled about China, for a few months and then came here. He was able to find a business partner and opened a cafe right on the main street of the city, Shantung Road. His object, of course, was to profit by the annual advent of the navy and reap a golden harvest. He seems to have succeeded, as for the past month his place had attracted hundreds of bluejackets who spent their money freely. Whether or not these same sailors knew of the deserter's identity is not known. However, this state of affairs was not to last for ever. On Wednesday a sailor policeman recognised the deserter and took him into custody, although there was a scuffle, according to report, in which the absconder got his head broken.

BRAHMIN PRIESTS AND THE SHINGLE.

Madras, June 5. The Deputy Magistrate of Nellore, says the evening "Swarajya" convicted and sentenced a Brahmin religious head to a fine of Rs. 100, on the complaint of a Brahmin widow of 25 years of age, for alleged defamation. The defamation consisted in the religious head having ordered the expiation ceremony to a Brahmin priest for having officiated in the house of a widow on the occasion of the anniversary of her husband's death, and the expiation was ordered by the religious head on the ground that the widow was leading a questionable life, as evidenced by locks of hair which she was growing in spite of her husband's death, widowhood being generally observed in true orthodox fashion by the complete shave of the head.

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Amoy 5 p.m.
TUESDAY, JUNE 28. To
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 13th July. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29. To
Bangkok 5 p.m. Suiyang 5 p.m.
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30. To
Hainan 5 p.m. Desali 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa 5 p.m.

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COAL CRISIS.
MINERS' INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE.
OPPOSE LONGER HOURS.
London, June 24. The Miners' International Committee, at its meeting in London, adopted a resolution to intensify the efforts of each country to prevent coal entering Great Britain, to render every financial assistance to the British miners, and regarding the attempt by the Government to increase working hours as a serious menace to the miners and workers in all industries which, if successful, would certainly affect the international struggle for shorter hours for labour. The official report does not refer to a general miners' strike on the Continent as envisaged by Mr. A. J. Cook.—Reuter.

BRIAND'S TEAM.
STRONG IN FINANCIAL EXPERTS.
Paris, June 24. The papers emphasise that the new Cabinet which is favourably spoken of in the Parliament lobbies, shows mainly a technical character, as it includes, besides M. Caillaux, five distinguished financial experts in MM. Pieri, Duboin, Chapais, Nogaro and Dutreil, and it is expected it will follow an energetic policy. According to the "Echo de Paris," the Caillaux programme comprises principally drastic economies for the stabilisation of the franc, and a thorough examination of the agreement with Washington regarding the French Debt. M. Caillaux would be hostile to a certain article in the agreement which would enable the United States to commercialise the French debt. Moreover, M. Caillaux is conscious of European solidarity on economical matters, and will consider the complete remodelling of commercial agreements.—Havas.

POLAR FLIGHT.
HUBBARD MEDAL FOR COM. BYRD.
Washington, June 24. A distinguished gathering of citizens, headed by President Coolidge, who presented the Hubbard Medal to the two air-men, welcomed the Polar fliers, Commander Byrd and Captain Bennett, in the Capitol. Mr. Gilbert H. Grosvenor, President of the National Geographical Society, declared the records of the flight had been examined by the Committee of the Society and found to have been carefully and accurately kept, substantiating in every way Commander Byrd's claim to be the first to reach the North Pole by air.—Reuter's American Service.

SEA CONTRACTS.
DECISION OF MARITIME CONFERENCE.
DRAFT CONVENTION.
Geneva, June 24. The Maritime Conference terminated after a final vote on the draft Convention dealing with contracts, which was unanimously adopted. The draft Convention regarding penalties (which was rejected yesterday) and the recommendations for an amendment were defeated by 56 votes to 33.—Reuter.

PEERESSES' VOTE.
REJECTED BY HOUSE OF LORDS.
BIGGER MAJORITY.
Rugby, June 24. The House of Lords rejected by 125 votes to 80 the second reading of a Bill to enable Peeresses in their own right to sit and vote in the House of Lords. A similar Bill was defeated narrowly last year by 80 votes to 78.—British Wireless Service.

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NAVAL AIRCRAFT.
AMERICA'S PROGRAMME OF EXPANSION.
Washington, June 24. President Coolidge has signed the Naval Aircraft Expansion Bill providing for a building programme for five years.—Reuter's American Service.

CATHOLIC CONGRESS.
PICTURESQUE RITES AT MUNDELEIN.
A CLOISTERED SEMINARY.
Chicago, June 24. Grass-covered hills surrounding the cloistered seminary of Mundelein, 35 miles north of Chicago, were the scene of the closing rites of the Eucharistic Congress. Pilgrims to the number of 700,000 at High Mass formed a semi-circle mile a half deep, nullifying the efforts of the Police to keep free the grounds reserved for the clergy. The proceedings wound up with a monster pageant, featuring 13 cars symbolising the major events in the history of the Roman Catholic Church.—Reuter's American Service.

TELL TALE PAPERS.
COMMUNIST MACHINATIONS IN BRITAIN.
STRIKING DISCLOSURES.
Rugby, June 24. The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Sir Austen Chamberlain, will be the principal speaker for the Government in the House of Commons debate, which is being held to-morrow, upon the question of the money sent from Russia to Great Britain for assisting industrial unrest. The time was allotted for the debate at the request of the Conservative Members of Parliament, who also asked that documents taken by the authorities when certain Communist agitators were arrested last October should be published. A selection of these papers was issued to-day in a volume containing 135 pages. Many of the communications show the relationship of the Communist Party of Great Britain, the Young Communist League, and the national minority movement to the Third Communist International and the Red International of Labour Unions at Moscow. One letter, reproduced in facsimile, is addressed to Mr. Inkpin, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Great Britain, and signed by Dutt, who is associated with the Indian side of the Communist Party's activities. It is cited as illustrating the alleged participation of the Russian trade delegation and of the All Russian Co-operative Society—Arco—dated July 15, and the writer uses the following sentence: "I received my instructions to make temporary change of occupation from proper authorities of both Arco and the Delegation." Other letters refer to the nucleus to be established in factories and Unions, and to complaints that monies promised had not been received. Contemptuous references to British Labour leaders and the "so-called British Socialists" are frequent.—British Wireless Service.

100 NOT OUT.
BRITAIN'S OLDEST LIVING GUARDSMAN.
TAKES GENERAL SALUTE.
Rugby, June 24. General Sir George Higginson, the oldest living Guardsman, who celebrated his 100th birthday last Monday, had an enthusiastic welcome from the Grenadier Guards to-day when he visited Victoria Barracks, at Windsor, where 80 years ago he did some of his early soldiering. He was received by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and the Officers of the regiment. The Duke had just inspected the first battalion. General Sir Higginson walked unaided to the base and took the general salute, after which the battalion marched past. Then the Duke of Connaught presented the Veteran General with a cheque from the First Guards Club, and the Secretary of the Grenadier Guards Comrades Association handed him a basket of flowers containing 100 blooms.—British Wireless Service.

HEROIN TRAFFIC.
TOMBSTONES AS HIDING PLACE.
HAUL IN HAMBURG.
Hamburg, June 24. A consignment of tombstones from Budapest, destined for Shanghai, aroused the suspicions of the Police, who investigated and discovered 547 tins of Heroin concealed in them. An American was arrested in connection with the affair. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$2,000.—Reuter.

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